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A DIARY THAT MOM (MARY BROWN) KEPT WHILE ON A TRIP TO FLORIDA, 1960

Thursday, January 14, 1960.....We left home at 7:45 a.m. It is slightly foggy and a bit of mist in the air. The temperature is about 35 degrees. It was just 9:30 as we left Muncie, Indiana. Saw new house trailer turned completely on its top between Rushville and Greenburg. It is raining now at 11:00 a.m. Stopped at Standard and got 14 gallon of gas at 31.9 cents a gallon. Drove through North Vernon and stopped along the road to eat. It was 12:00 noon. We had fried chicken, potato salad, hot coffee, bread, butter and apple butter. On way again. It is still raining. Saw a semi-trailer laying on side about 12:30 p.m.

Went through Louisville, Kentucky, about 1:30 and got on the Kentucky Turnpike. Had to pay 50 cent toll. It is raining cats and dogs. Stopped at Horse (Care, Cane, Cow) and filled up with gas. 11 gallon cost \$3.44. Also went to rest rooms. Stopped at Scottsville, Kentucky, and got 12 pounds of ice, cost 20 cents. It has stopped raining at last. Got to Tennessee at 5:05 p.m.

January 15, 1960.....Started out this a.m. at 6:05. Temperature of 50 degrees. Still in Tennessee. At daybreak stopped and gassed up. 12.8 gallon at 32 cents = \$4.20.

Got to Alabama at 8:05 a.m. Have been on the road just 2 hours. The bright sun is coming up over the tree tops and hills. At Haynesville, gassed up \$3.98 for 12.5 gallons. (Not sure but they got something for 35 cents.....may be the price of the gas per gallon.) Last night stopped at a country school house and spent the night. Had outside toilets. Back again to January 15 in the afternoon.....We entered Georgia about 2:45 p.m. After going through Columbus, Georgia, we saw a tower leaving with a wrecked car and several people looking down an embankment. Probably where the accident happened. Georgia seems to be made up of mostly red sand and colored people living in shacks. Stopped at Dawson, Georgia, and gassed up at 13.2 gallon for \$4.43 price. It is now 4 p.m.

Stopped at Thomasville, Georgia for the night. Parked across street from Standard Station. They said we could and use their rest rooms. They are open 24 hours a day.

Saturday, January 16, 1960.....Got up at 5 a.m. Left Thomasville about 6:25. Got to Florida at 6:45. A lot of trees are hanging full of moss. Looks like weeping willow trees. There are several palm trees. There is steam coming from every puddle of water. Makes Florida look like a huge boiler factory and P.U. we passed through a stretch that smelled like sewers on St. Joe Road. There are lots of motels and trailer courts. Pecans at 3 pounds for \$1.75 one place. The grass has a reddish appearance. There is white sand. It looks like snow or frost along the roadsides etc., in places. Swamps for miles and miles. Gassed up at 10 a.m. at Standard Station for \$3.60.

Stopped about 23 miles north of St. Petersburg and had our noon meal. Cleaned up tater salad. Also sloppy joe and cake and had peaches and coffee. Spent afternoon and evening with Ferol and Ed.

Went to church Sunday a.m. Mary Ann had operation Saturday. Rev. Dean Couney (?) preached on paying the tithe. Ferol took us out in the afternoon to Gulf of Mexico and to Tampa Bay. Went to church again in the evening. Had missionary speak. Dean showed us the church and his home. Also some pictures of his family.

Monday, Guy went deep sea fishing. I wrote letters and cards back home and just lounged around. Weather was nice till afternoon when it rained and turned cooler. Also was very chilly and windy. Dean took us to Albert Rays. Then they took us all out to Buckley's for dinner and drove us around. Saw more water, sand and sea gulls etc. Wednesday we went to Atlantic Coast. Also crossed Sunshine Sky Bridge. More water and pelicans.

Left Ferol's Wednesday a.m. about 9:15. Went South on 19. Entered Tampa Bay in 10 or 15 minutes. Saw a big freighter. Pelicans, etc. Gobs of water. Paid toll to enter Sunshine Skyway Bridge. At Palmetto started back North on Road 41. Stopped at fruit stand and got tangerines, 1 peck for \$1.00 and a peck of oranges for 75 cents. Stopped by orange and grapefruit grove and had tomato soup for dinner. After going through Orlando east on Highway 50 we went through Christmas, Florida. It consists of a post office, church, and a few homes. Very small. It is now 3:20 p.m. Gassed up at 13.3, price \$4.26. It is 5:10 p.m. We have just been to Daytona Beach, Florida. It is water and sand just like all the other beaches we've seen and plenty chilly today. It frosted last night in St. Petersburg and has been chilly all day.

Thursday a.m. January 21, 1960.....We parked last night near a juice stand and orange grove. (We got permission from owners) Right along side of highway. It was down to 30 degrees this a.m. when we stopped to gas up at 7 a.m. It was 32 degrees yesterday and we are still in Florida. The sun is coming up bright so should warm things up today. Saw a woman standing by her child who was waiting for school bus. She was trying to protect him from the cold.

Entered Georgia coming home at 20 till 10 a.m. Stopped while still in Florida and took 2 pictures of trees with spanish moss. Also gathered some long pine needles like they use to weave small baskets, etc.

Stopped at Magnolia Plantation in Georgia and bought 3 pounds of pecans at \$1.49. Also 2 candy bars at 10 cents each. At noon stopped at road side part in Georgia. Had hot dogs, pork and beans and oranges. Picked up several pine cones. It is getting bitty cold. Got to Alabama at 2 p.m. coming home. Georgia and Alabama meet in Columbus, Georgia, at the bridge.

Thursday evening, we stopped at a small gas station and grocery in Alabama about 40 or 45 miles from Tennessee state line. We started out about 2 a.m. It was cold. We had hot coffee, cookies and rolls. Ate crackers and tangerines later about daybreak. We crossed from Alabama to Tennessee about 3 a.m. Was just 6 a.m. when we got to Kentucky. Cost 10 cent toll as we got on T Pike. We entered Indiana at Louisville at 9:10 a.m. and got on #3 across the bridge. The school kids are on their way to school as we went through Louisville, Kentucky. Got to Fort Wayne city limits at 2:10 p.m. and actually got home at 26 21 St. Mary's Avenue. And the best part of the trip was the getting home. Everything in good condition.

Just a note from daughter, Betty. Mom never did like to travel. Always said that is was much harder than work and would fight to stay home if it was possible. So she took little pleasure in seeing new things or places. Never heard much else about this trip or the one to the West except that it was miserable and she was miserable the whole time. This one was apparently cold and the one to the West was too hot.

ANTIQUE AUCTION

Located 3 miles west of the stoplight in Avilla, Indiana or 20 miles north of Ft. Wayne.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16—9:30 A.M.
FURNITURE

Walnut bed, good condition; walnut wash stand; oak 3 glass section book or china case, very large; oak book case; small spool bed; brass bed; 3 library tables; 2 oak square stands; oak kitchen cabinet; trundle bed; side saddle over 100 years old; 5 leg dining room table and 6 chairs; 6 matched high back chairs; 5 matched oak chairs; many rockers; wardrobe; 6 leg carved cats face solid oak table with 9 extra leaves; 2 dish cupboards; fruit cupboard.

ANTIQUES AND COLLECTIBLES

Wall telephone and extension; 4 clocks; dog and cat fur robe also pony fur robe, both excellent condition; set sleigh jingle bells; yarn winder; 2 spinning wheels; very old Howe sewing machine; large copper kettle; 2 copper pails; 8 oil lamps; 3 incubators; Aladdin lamp; 2 comb. cases; many dishes; vases, etc. some carnival glass; Daisy glass churn, like new; lard press; kraut cutter; many fancy framed pictures; ax yoke; 2 cream separators; water separator; wool coverlet, 1844 like new; 3 large mirrors; 3 trunks; kitchen cutlery; cast iron and sheet iron skillets; flat irons; alcohol iron; wardrobe; pair electric torches; candle mold; candle holders; lot of silverware; 2 copper boilers; lot of jugs and crocks; conservo canner; what-not shelves; bellows; lot of bedding and bedspreads; post card stand; post cards; old zither; apothecary scales; old guitar; corn hand sheller; wool tier; hand corn planter; blacksmith large A-1; grain cradle; carpenter tools; blacksmith tools; 1893 Columbian bicycle; horse collar; 3 iron kettles; wire top glass quart jars; lot of bottles; steel yard; model T valve lathe; and hundreds of antiques not listed.

HOUSEHOLD AND MISCELLANEOUS

Double oil oven; chest of drawers; 3 dressers; 2 television sets; 2 lounge chairs; daybed; 2 iron beds; 2 radios; table electric cooker; gold tapestry upholstered chair; 10 inch rotary water pump; weed burner; Hahler double comp. sink; twin tubs; barbecue grill; Butler pump jack; garden tractor; 20 cu. ft. McCray upright deep freezer; bottle gas range; metal utility cabinet; kitchen work table; heating stove; 2 Surge milking units; jig saw; Coleman lantern; electric foot massager; electric vibrator; 15x15 rug; 2 desks; 20 gauge single barrel shotgun; electric fan; 2 rotary lawn mowers; garden rotiller; electric refrigerator; piano desk; and other articles.

Terms: Cash

Lunch Served

Not responsible for accidents

FRANK KOONS ESTATE

Norman Koons Executor

AUCTIONEERS:

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Jerry Grogg -LaGrange 463-2828

NOTE-There are hundreds of antiques from 3 generations. Please come early. First household, then miscellaneous, last antiques.

To Host Open House

PAYNE, Ohio — The children of Mr. and Mrs. Forest Ohler will host an open house in honor of their parents' golden wedding anniversary from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday in the Payne School cafeteria.

Married Oct. 25 in Fort Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. Ohler are the parents of Chalmers G. Ohler, Jacksonville, Fla.; Mrs. Robert Gillen, Tempe, Ariz.; Harold Ohler, Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Claude Hite, Payne. There are 14 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Mr. and Mrs. Forest Ohler



Marilyn Myers Is Bride Of John D. Conser Saturday

The Rev. Jim Fritz of Garrett and the Rev. Jack E. Yates officiated at the 7:30 p.m. Saturday wedding of Miss Marilyn Louise Myers and John D. Conser in St. John's Evangelical Reformed Church. Preceding the double-ring rites, a musicale was presented by Ralph W. Doctor, organist, and Ray Shuttlesworth, vocalist. The chancel was graced with a background of candelabra, palms and beauty vases of white gladioli and pink and white pompons. Tall cathedral candlesticks tied

with satin bows and pink rosebuds and greenery marked the pews. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil R. Myers of near Hometown are parents of the bride, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Conser, 2607 Reed St.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of silk organza and peau d'ange lace over taffeta. Sequin and pearl embroidered lace formed the scalloped scoop neckline and brief, shirred sleeves. An ornate

applique highlighted the front of the voluminous skirt and was styled with a double bustle pouf caught at the circular chapel-length train. Her fingertip illusion veil was caught to a contour bandeau of silk frosted with jewelled lace flowerettes and she carried a crescent bouquet of white roses and lilies-of-the-valley centered with a pink-throated white orchid.

Mrs. Karl Sliger of Garrett acted as matron of honor. The bridesmaids were the Misses Phyllis Hoover, Maria Kowal and Marilyn Craig. They wore gowns of tulip pink silk organza made with scoop necklines and brief sleeves. The skirts featured floral embroidery. They wore matching cloches of looped braid and carried white pompons centered with pink roses. Kathy Schell and Kevin Schell, cousins of the bridegroom, were flower girl and ring-bearer.

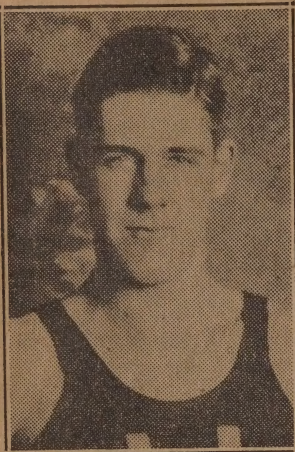
The bridegroom's brother,

George Conser, served as best man. Gail Kreager, Joe Moser, Franklyn Dammann and Jack Sauerwein ushered.

At the reception in the church hall, Mrs. Joe Moser, Mrs. Wayne Openlander, Mrs. Gaylord Mounsey, Mrs. Clyde Parnell, Mrs. Robert Fulk and Miss Nellie Maloley, served.

The couple left for a honeymoon trip to the Canadian Rockies, and Lake Louise. For traveling, the bride wore a blue ensemble with white accessories. They will live at 4176 Buesching Dr. on their return.

KILLED IN CRASH



James Kell.

Funeral services were held today for James Kell, aged 18, prominent Hometown High School senior and basketball star who was fatally injured Friday evening in an automobile collision at the intersection of the Coldwater and Gump roads.

The youth died at 6:24 p.m. Friday at St. Joseph's Hospital two hours after the accident. Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. at the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Kell, of Hometown, and at 2 p.m. at the Hometown M. E. Church.

Good For Dieters

A fresh peach every day is a good practice for dieters. With only about 50 calories each, they are an excellent source of Vitamin A, have a fair amount of Vitamin C and almost five per cent of your daily calcium requirement.



Mrs. John D. Conser

Trips and Vacations

In 1960 we spent a week at Pretty Lake. Cathy was 8, Carol 6, John 5, and Larry 4. It was enjoyable but I'm not sure that any of us were really taken with life at the lake. We rented a cottage right next to the water slide and the store. We did this for two different summers, 1960 and 1961. The kids swam ?? mostly in innertubes. Warren did some fishing and we went out in the row boat some. We ate roasting ears, ice cream and hot dogs. Warren got his first crew cut about that time. It was not my favorite type of haircut. The first year I fought homesickness. It was hard for me to go away from home for a whole week. I felt somewhat disoriented I guess. The second year I didn't feel that so much. Guess I'm not real adventurous. We did have company while we were there and began to play this game called "spoons" which was dangerous to our health. Especially our hands.... It was hilarious. As I remember it was some of Warren's ball team friends and wives that came up. Maybe Don DeWalsh and his wife. I'm not sure now. *Guess it was Fred and Ernestine*

In 1960 there was a Magnavox picnic at Buck Lake Ranch, on Aug. 20. The kids got to ride on ponies that year. Little did we know that Cathy would ride a lot of horses. In July 1961 we took a trip to Midland, Michigan, with Warren's softball team, Lengachers. It was Amos Lengacher Builders team. They were from the Harlan/Grabill area. Then we went on to Michigan City to see the Lake and some big boats. The kids got to wade in Lake Michigan.

I finally learned to drive when we were leaving Avilla. I knew I would no longer have easy access to stores and I think that I knew if I wanted to bowl I had better learn. So Warren taught me. I flunked my first test all because I could not do a good job of parallel parking and that was the only thing I did not have down. I still can't do that very well because there is very little chance to even do it. Anyway after some tears I was determined that I would get my license. So next time I took it, I did. Took my tests in Kendallville. Now Warren couldn't keep me at home! Finally he wouldn't have to take me grocery shopping anymore and he was glad for that. I can't remember all the cars we have had over the years, but guess I will have him make a list for me. We did buy one new car and that was a 1961 Ford Fairlane while we were living in Avilla. The first week that we had it, we took the trip to Midland, Michigan and that was in the summer of 1961. This is the only brand new car we ever owned, and probably will be. I finally wore it out driving it to work at the mall and we finally let Larry drive it around the 10 acres and he sold it to Martin our neighbor for \$5.00 and he turned right around and sold it for \$55.00. It was a lesson learned by Larry, I think!

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ALL trails lead to...
BUCK LAKE ANGOLA



**THE
HUB OF
VACATION
LAND**

AT THE CROSSROAD OF U.S. HIGHWAY 27
AND U.S. HIGHWAY 20.

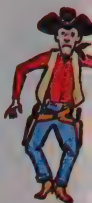
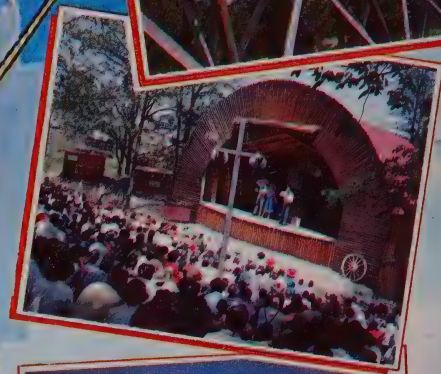
The Indiana Toll Road Exit Gate 10
and the New 1-69 Indiana Freeway



THRILLING LIVE STAGE SHOWS

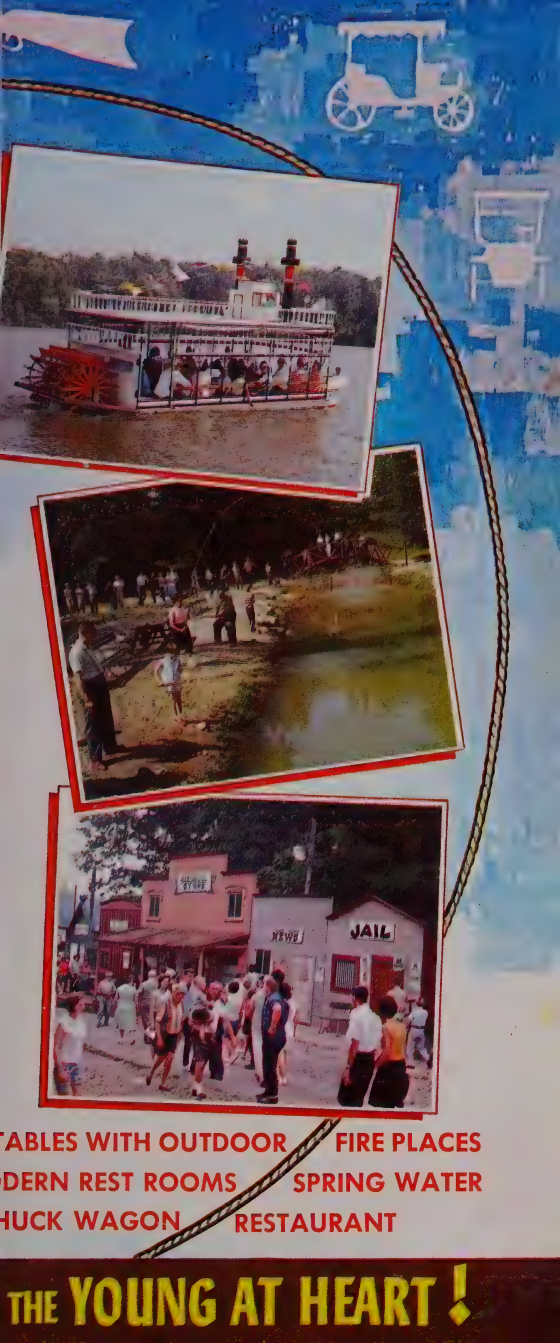
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LIVE AGAIN THE
EXCITING DAYS of
the OLD WEST



200 P

AN 80 ACRE PLAYGROUND OF THRILLS AND EXCITEMENT



TABLES WITH OUTDOOR FIRE PLACES
MODERN REST ROOMS SPRING WATER
HUCK WAGON RESTAURANT

THE YOUNG AT HEART !



BY ALL MEANS GIVE YOUR FAMILY
THIS THRILL OF A LIFETIME. YOU'LL
BE SURPRISED AT HOW MUCH THEY
WILL ENJOY RELIVING THE OLD WEST.

EXCITING
ATTRACTIONS
FOR EVERY ONE

MERRY-GO-ROUND
CHAIR-A-PLANE
ELECTRIC TRAIN
LIVE PONIES
FERRIS WHEEL
ROLLER COASTER
SHOW BOAT RIDE
AUTO RIDE
KIDDIE BOAT RIDE
STAGE COACH RIDE
PET DEER FARM
OLD FORT LARAMIE
EARLY AMERICAN MUSEUM
RAINBOW TROUT FISHING



FREE PARKING

OPEN DAILY FROM 10 A.M.



Kenacher's
Summer 1961

Looks like at
the Beach.





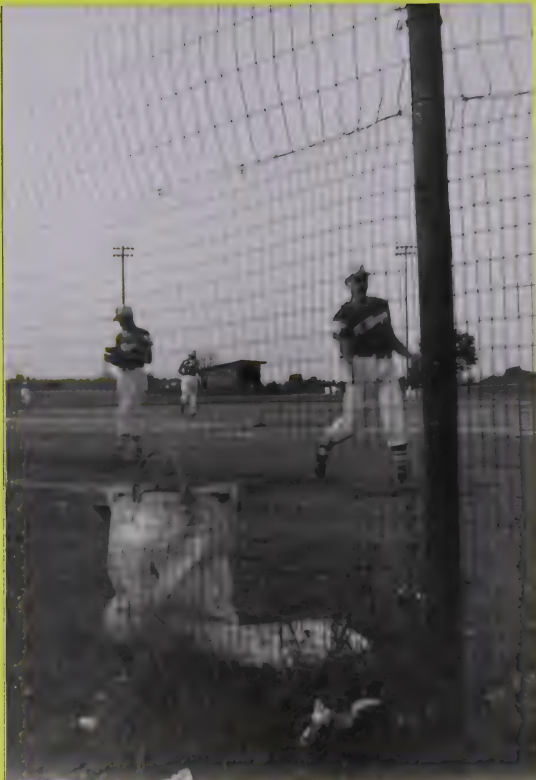
John

Lenachers at
Memorial Park
1961





Merv Delegrange, Jim Kees, Bob Kuntz,
Elmer Yoder, Amos Kenachen (Sponsor) &
bat boy, Kirby



ORA Delegrange and Warren warming up



Jim Kees and Merv Delegrange
on the bench

Al Graber at third

July 15, 1961
at
Harlan

Warren in jacket

Kenachers Vs Bremman
Red Socks



Merv Delegrange
Jim Kees
Elmer Yoder



Jim Kees at bat
Roger Harter catching



Harlan Park
July 15, 1961

Kenachers vs
Bremman Red Sox

Can't be sure this
was all Bremman as
Roger Harter was a
catcher for Spears.

Elmer at bat, Roger Harter catching

An exhibition game at
Zollner Stadium - July 27, 1961
Thursday



Roger Miller and WARREN

Kenachers and Spears
played in the opener
and got beat 3-0

Then Monty's met the Iowa
Cowboys and tied. They
called the game so the
Cowboys could do their
"special" thing — "pepper game"
and "hijinks"



Kees pitching, Wiess catching, Roger Harter at bat

A Fort Wayne **LANDMARK**



August 1967...The realization of a dream by Don Scott...From a small store on the corner of Fairfield & Taylor in 1954 to ownership of what was then the world's largest super-market, Scott's Decatur Road!



Scott's Decatur Road Store in 1967

This story began several years earlier however, with the construction of a supermarket — one of the largest in the United States.

Featured in “Life” Magazine, International Edition, January 6, 1958, as “U.S. Institution: The Supermarket,” and pictured with “the huge cornucopia signaling the plentiful display of all kinds of goods”; a sign that remains intact today. Coverage detailed the abundance of 5,000 food items on hand (20% of what is now available) under one great roof where “an accomplished shopper can buy a week’s provisions in an hour or two.”

The history of this store began several years prior to this article, when in the early 1950’s architects were hired from Germany to con-

struct this gigantic structure. No expense was spared, and the supermarket was a first of its kind in more than one respect.

Clearly visible today, but less recognized for their true worth, are the massive painted arches extending from outside ground level up through the roof line. Serving not only a decorative function, these massive arches are the support structure of the building — a building which contains no center columns for roof support!

Another “little extra” is the 85-foot-high Weather-Bell Carillon which in 1958 would chime the hour and play a song appropriate for the current weather conditions. Imagine walking into the store on a rainy day, hearing the song “Singing in the Rain” chiming from overhead!

Scott’s Decatur Road is fortunate to have in their employ two associates from the former Eavey’s Supermarket. They, and the store, have experienced many changes throughout the years — but the goal remains the same in providing our customers with one of the largest and best supermarkets.





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SCOTT'S Happy Holidays

SCOTT'S STORE MANAGERS.

Back Left: Pat Zickgraf, Columbia City; Steve Grashoff, Stellhorn; Dave Mauzy, Parkwest; Dan Conner, Angola, IN; Rick Bender, Coventry. Front Left: Rick Zahm, Decatur Road; Greg Ferran, Statewood; John Igney, Pine Valley; Lou D'Arco, Bluffton, IN; Marlene Draper, North Clinton; Jerome Rauch, Decatur, IN; Dean Jines, Auburn, IN.

SCOTT'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Standing, Left to Right: Nick Ciocca, Vice President of Store Operations; Laurie Grashoff, Vice President; Jean Bookout, Assistant Secretary; Cheryl Scott, Executive Vice President; Ron Bleke, Controller. Seated, Left to Right: Bill Reitz, President; Caroll Reitz, Secretary; Don Scott, Chairman; Lee Scott, Treasurer.

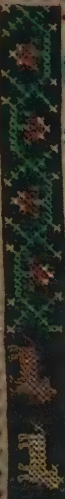
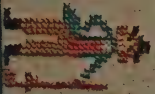
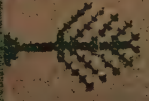
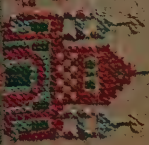
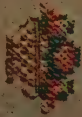
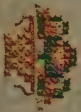


SCOTT'S MERCHANDISERS.

Back Left: Dan Miller, Non-Food; Jim Ferger, Deli; Dave Dickerson, Grocery; Greg Jones, Produce; Lou Valentine, Meat; Jim Orn, Store Development. Middle Row: Fred From, Bakery; Howard Ball, Loss Prevention; Jim Coughlin, Direct Store Delivery; Chris Irmscher, Special Projects Director; Darin Warren, Advertising Director; Bob Ahr, Deli Buyer; Kathy Hart, Consumer Services Director; Pete Taviano, Produce Buyer; Pam Schaaf, Data Processing Director. Not pictured: Mike Rosene, Point of Sale Director.

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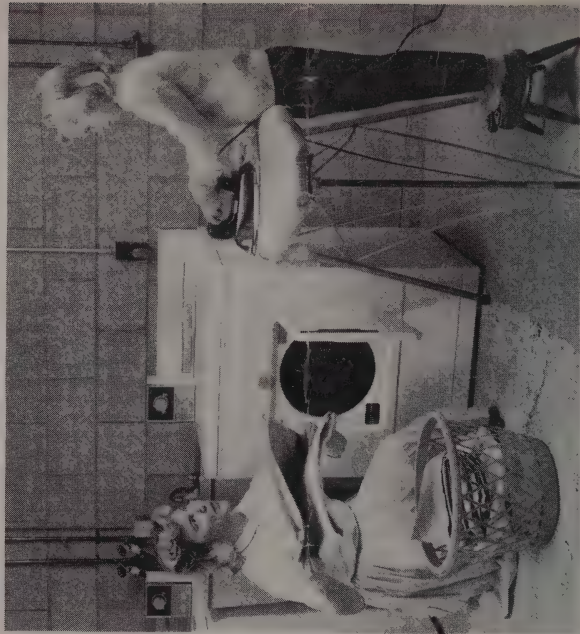


BECAUSE IT REQUIRES NO FLUE, the Werns were able to locate their flameless electric water heater where it could serve the kitchen, bathrooms and laundry most efficiently. Mrs. Wern reports, "It literally gives us an *endless* supply of hot water. Even with eight house guests over last Christmas, we never ran out."

"A FLAMELESS ELECTRIC CLOTHES DRYER is wonderfully gentle on all my clothes and a real blessing when you have children in the family," says Nancy Wern. "It was easy to install, too, since it didn't need a flue to carry off combustion fumes."

"THE EVEN, DRAFT-FREE WARMTH of flameless electric home heating is one of the benefits of total electric living our whole family can appreciate," says George Wern, shown in his Ohio living room with his wife, Nancy, and their children, Sally, 7, and Stephen, 9.

"WITH FULL HOUSEPOWER WIRING, we have plenty of conveniently located outlets," reports George Wern as he heats coffee for guests in the family room. "And we can run as many appliances as we need to at the same time with no worry about overloading circuits."



"FLAMELESS ELECTRIC COOKING is so fast and easy that it's a real pleasure to fix meals for the family," says Nancy Wern in her total electric living room.

August 15, 1961, Tuesday ... Warm and sunny. Still washing and ironing vacation clothes. Lengachers played South Side Electric of Wabash in the Markle Tourney and won 9 to 1. Dwight Graber pitched. Warren played left field in the 6th inning. Got a 2-base hit. Children had blue snow cones. They made quite a mess but they were good.

August 16, 1961, Wed. .. Warm and partly cloudy. Washed and ironed. Did the bedspreads and rugs. Patti Ogg came to play with the girls. Lengachers played another ball game at the beach against Julies. Lost 1 to 0. Jim Kees pitched. John and Larry were bat boys for the first time.

August 17, 1961, Thursday .. My mother and father's 32nd wedding anniversary. Sunny and warm. Went to visit Warren's mother and my parents. Brought home vegetables from their gardens and canned green beans from my mother. Mom and dad moved from the trailer into Mr. Harold's house this week. Gerry Lee isn't much improved. Came home from the hospital about 2 weeks ago. We also went to Eavey's Grocery and I finally purchased my maple sewing bucket from my bowling winnings of last winter. Bought it at George and Kate's Colonial Shop on south Calhoun.

August 18, 1961, Friday .. A construction company is refinishing Road 3 in front of our house this week. Warren's 2 week vacation is about over. Back to work on Monday. It certainly has gone by in a hurry. Magnavox calls. Lengachers played a double-header tonight. Beat Bomar and Hi-Lite Tavern. Both shut-outs. Warren pitched the first and Dwight and Jake Yoder the 2nd.

August 19, 1961, Saturday .. The Magnavox Picnic at Buck Lake Ranch. The children rode the ferris wheel, roller coaster, swings, merry-go-round and others. They had hot dogs, pop, snow cones, cotton candy, carmel corn, ice cream and candy. All free from Magnavox. Its a wonder they didn't get sick. It rained a little but everyone had a good time. It really poured on the way home. Lengachers were to have games with Peru tonight at Harlan. We went but water was standing on the field. So we took Warren's mother home and came home ourselves.

August 20, 1961, Sunday .. Much cooler today. Just cleaned and ironed today. Also went to look at a home for sale this evening. 10 acres. It was nice but had a large chicken house and barns. That's not what we're looking for. Went to Wilbur Millers and bought Cathy's school books, used ones.

August 21, 1961, Monday .. Cool and sunny. Ironed today and finally got the yard mowed. Carol went to play with Jenny Beck. Lengachers played Markle in their second tournament game tonight. Squeaked out a 1 to 0 victory. Jim Kees pitched a 1-hitter but came close to losing the game in the last of the 7th. We play Spears on Wed. night. Warren went back to work today after 2 weeks vacation. He was quite tired tonight.

August 22, 1961, Tuesday .. Got children's books for school today. Altogether will be more than \$25.00. New science and health books this year. Also sent a clothes order to Montgomery Wards.

August 23, 1961, Wed. .. A quiet day at home. Rained this morning but remained dry enough to play at Markle tonight. Warren went without us since there was hardly enough time after work to get home and back in time. Roger called to see if we wanted to go but we stayed home. Spears beat Lengachers 7 to 1. Elmer McDonald started the game and Warren finished. Play the consolation game tomorrow night.

August 24, 1961, Thursday .. Rained again this afternoon so the game was called off. Warren worked on the washer tonight. Must order a new sump pump tube tomorrow.

August 25, 1961, Friday .. The sun came out today. We didn't get to the game but Warren pitched a no-hitter against Wabash General Tire. Also scored the first run. Monty's won the tournament but Amos got \$25.00 by Lengachers coming in third. Cleaned house today and washed my hair.

August 26, 1961, Saturday .. A lot of TV work today. Weather was rather warm today. I spent part of today making softball and bowling scrapbooks. Also worked on photograph books tonight.

August 27, 1961, Sunday .. Didn't go to church today. Next week I must be back at the teaching post. Really relaxed this weekend but Warren did a lot of work in the shop. Took my washing to the "washateria" in Kendallville today. That is the first time I ever did that. Cost \$1.00 for 5 loads. Would much rather wash at home. Warren went to the bowling alley to talk to Bud about a league but he wasn't there.

August 29, 1961, Tuesday .. Lengachers played Fiddes-Moore and won 12 to 2. Warren didn't play. In fact we didn't get there until the game was started. We also took the Eavey's check and cashed it. It was for \$5.00. Then we went to McMillan Park and watched Montys beat Spears. It was a very unrushed evening for a change.

August 30, 1961, Wed... Our order from Montgomery Ward came today. All the school clothes for the kids. Also material for 5 dresses for each of the girls. Now I really have a job. The children should be pretty well set for school except for shoes, socks, and coats. This afternoon we went to school to register. Larry, in kindergarten has Pat Lowry. John is in the first grade and has Sally Henry. Carol in the second has Mrs. Hampshire and Cathy in the 4th has Miss Shepard. Also took Larry to Dr. Mattmiller and got his booster shot (DPT). No game this evening. Warren worked on TVs and I ironed.

August 31, 1961, Thursday .. Weather is still quite hot during the day but cools off nicely in the evening. Larry isn't feeling too well from his shot and Carol has a cold. Started our bowling season tonight. Had to take the kids. Warren had a game with Hoagland. Lengachers won 2 to 1. Started out pretty poorly in bowling. Will have to get on the ball next week. 117-139-167=423. Just 141 average. Warren brought home about 2½ bu. of tomatoes from the folks. Also melons and carrots.

September 1, 1961, Friday .. Warren started bowling tonight. Did pretty well but this first night was just practice. League starts next week. Magnavox went out on strike this morning. There was some trouble with the first cars in line but Warren didn't have any trouble. He had to leave work at 7:00 and couldn't go out for lunch. I canned tomato juice all day.

Saturday, September 2, 1961 .. Went to Kendallville to get Cathy's shoes and Larry's dentist slip. Also dress patterns for the girls at Murphys.

Sunday, September 3, 1961 .. Back to Sunday School this morning. Took me nearly all afternoon to get the house in order.

Monday, September 4, 1961 .. Labor Day. Just worked and went to both parents for a while. Took mom's baskets back. Warren's mom has many tomatoes too but I can't use any more now. Stopped at Muellers but they were gone. Had a rain shower but it has been so hot and humid.

Tuesday, September 5, 1961 .. School for half a day. Will seem odd to have the children gone all day. Of course, Larry will only be gone in the afternoon. Things were pretty quiet at Magnavox today.

Wednesday, September 6, 1961 .. First full day of school. I took Larry to kindergarten but came right home. There was supposed to be a ball game tonight but it rained in Fort Wayne. Just a sprinkle here in Avilla. Washed and ironed all day.

Thursday, September 7, 1961 .. Warm and sunny. Took kids bowling again tonight. Had a 490 series. Lengachers beat Spears tonight.

Friday, September 8, 1961 .. Worked on bowling scores until noon. (a note when I am typing this that I was the secretary and treasurer of our league and it was quite a job to get all of the scores and averages, etc. done and ready for the next week) Then I did a quick job of cleaning. Lengachers beat Harvester tonight 3 to 2. Warren started the game but had to be taken out in the first inning. Used all three pitchers but we won. Warren was supposed to start bowling tonight.

Saturday, September 9, 1961 .. Went to Kendallville and bought groceries at the Kroger. Got socks for the boys and a few small things. Warren worked on TVs until quite late.

Job list :

Ironing, bake cookies for Monday, defrost refrigerator,

Paint boys room, make doll clothes, paint in girls room,
take toys in from yard, clean out girls toy dressers, cut Larry's
hair, cut John's hair, make yellow curtains.

Things to do on Saturday : Bank, Grocery, Post Office, Divide
money, bookwork, letters, cards, bills, checks, wash kids hair,
check for Sunday clothes, wash windows, run the sweeper, Iron if
necessary.

A note in my book for Cathy: Cathy, we have taken the boys to
the doctor. Will be back soon. Also will go to the grocery store.



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"HOW ABOUT THAT!" — Under the fascinated gaze of fourth grade pupils of Avilla School, Bob Allread explains the operation of a linotype machine during a visit by the class to the Avilla News. John Giesekeing is in the background. Setting type by use of this machine is the start of the production end of a newspaper, the pupils were told. Giesekeing and Charles Rash conducted the tour of the newspaper's facilities.

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"SMILE PRETTY" — After viewing the linotype, the composing sections where the newspaper is put together, the press which prints the newspaper and the offset department where pictures are transferred to plates for printing, the pupils posed for a picture on the way out. Miss Fern Shepherd, teacher of the fourth grade class, is at left in the background. — Staff Photos

News

AND AREA NEWS EVENTS

Thursday, March 29, 1962

Parade winners named at school

Ghosts, goblins and a vast array of other assorted characters paraded Wednesday at Avilla School as the elementary grades celebrated Halloween.

The pupils were also awarded prizes in three categories . . . prettiest, most original and ugliest costumes. Winners in respective order were:

First grade, Mrs. LaRowe's room—Darlene Norden, Stanley Kostielney and Mark Yoquelet; Mrs. Henry's room—Elizabeth Diehm, Jenny Beck and Terry Ross.

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Fourth grade, Mrs. Davis' room—Judith Wells, Valerie Egolf and Kenneth Cox; Miss Shepherd's room—Brenda Stone, Cinda Beck and Joe Luttmann.

Fifth grade, Mrs. Miller's room—Susan Wright, Bill

Mitchell and John Herron; Mrs. Wall's room—Patti Ogg,erry Brazzell and Bruce Parks.

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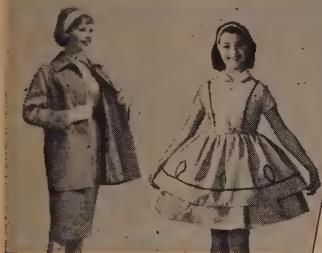
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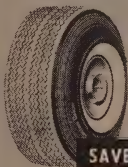
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ch 1p, * (ch 9, shell in shell) 8 times, (ch 7, shell in shell) 14 times, repeat from *, end with a sl st at base of first ch.

Rnd 14: Begin with a shell in first shell, * (ch 5, sc over ch 9 lp,

ch 5, shell in shell) 8 times, (ch 4, sc over ch 7, ch 4, shell in shell) 14 times, repeat from *, end with a sl st in top of first ch 3.

Rnd 15: Repeat rnd 14, increasing ch 5 to ch 6 and the ch 4 to ch 5.

Rnd 16: Repeat rnd 14, increasing ch 5 to ch 7 and the ch 4 to ch 6.

Rnd 17: Sl st into the ch lp of first shell, ch 1, sc in same place with sl st, ** ch 24, sc in center of next shell, ch 5, turn, dc in third st from last joining, (ch 2, sk 2 ch sts, dc in next st) twice, ch 2, dc in third st of turning ch, this makes 4 sps, * ch 5, turn, dc in next dc, (ch 2, dc in next dc) 3 times, repeat from * twice, ch 12, sc in center of next shell, repeat from ** around, end with a sl st in first sc.

Rnd 18: Sl st in each of first 3 ch sts, ch 3, dc in each of next 9 sts, (dc in next bar, 2 dc over next ch lp) 3 times, dc in next bar, 9 dc over ch 5 at point, * (dc in next bar, 2 dc over next ch lp) 3 times, dc in next bar, dc in each of next 10 ch sts, sk 2 ch sts of next ch, dc in each of next 3 ch sts, ch 5, turn, sc in 4th dc of last scallop, ch 1, turn 7 sc over the ch lp just made, sl st in top of last dc, dc in each of next 5 ch sts, ch 7, turn, sc in 4th (center) sc of sc over ch lp, ch 7, sk 4 dc of last scallop, sc in next dc, ch 1, turn, 9 sc over each ch 7 lp, sl st in top of last dc, dc in next ch, dc in next bar, 2 dc over ch lp, dc in next bar, turn, (ch 7, sc in 5th sc of next sc group) twice, ch 7, sk 4 dc on last scallop, sc in next dc, ch 1, turn, 9 sc over each of

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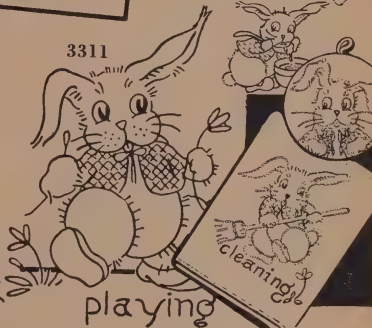
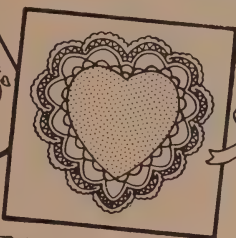
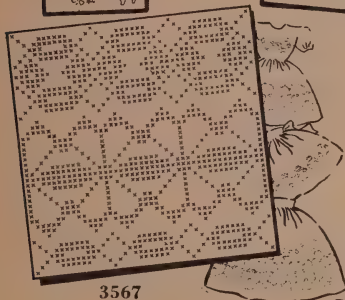
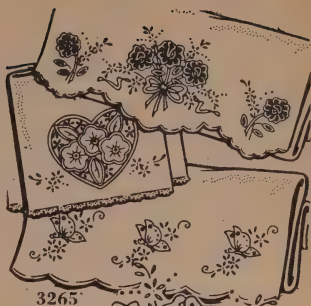
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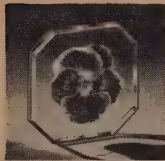


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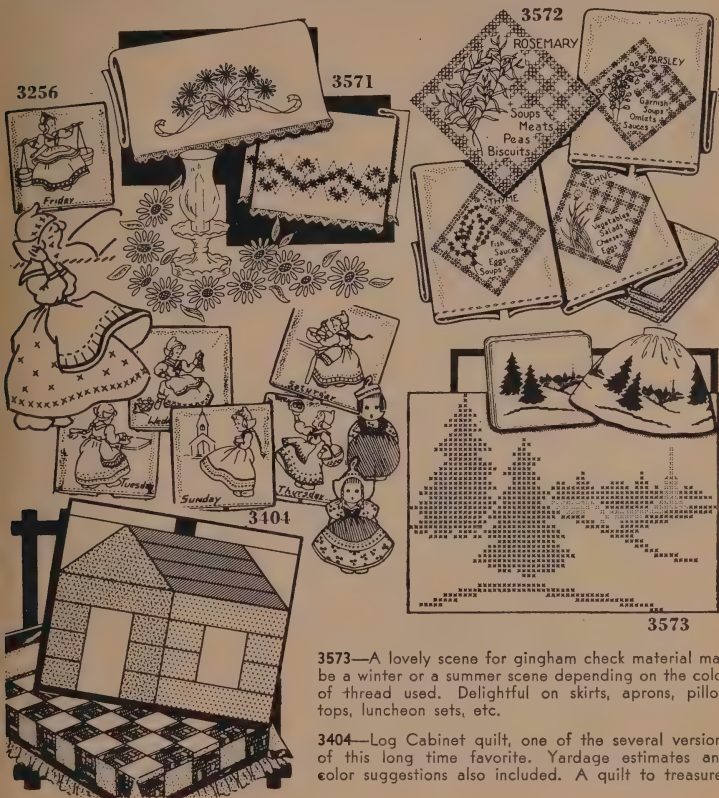
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11 rows equal 1 inch



Use a color of yarn which is not to be used in tie, cast on 45 sts. K 1 row, p 1 row. These 2 rows will be ripped out after tie is completed, so stitches can be woven together for a smooth joining.

Rows 1 through 4: With A (main color), work in stockinette st. The entire tie is worked in stockinette st.

Row 5: With B (second color), k 1, * sl 1 st, with B, k 3, repeat from * across row.

Row 6: With C (third color), p 1, * sl 1, with C, p 3, repeat from * across row.

Rows 7 through 10: With D, work in stockinette.

Row 11: With C, k 1, * sl 1 st, k 3, repeat from * across row.

Row 12: With B, p 1, * sl 1 st, p 3, repeat from * across row.

Repeat rows 1 through 12: Dec 1 st at beginning and end of row every 2 inches until 21 sts remain. Work even on these 21 sts until tie measures 28 inches long. Inc 1 st

I'm writing this from roughly typed notes:

Avilla, Indiana .. Sunday, June 24, 1962 .. Sunny and warm today. Just straightened the house this morning in case someone would come to look at it. Went to my folks this afternoon. Got some boards to work on the front windows. Also looked through their change for old coins for the kids coin books. Looked at their duplex. It is very nice. Just what we need only out in the country. We stopped at LaOtto on the way home to watch a softball game between LaOtto and Avilla. Believe the teams need a little more practice to become real softball teams. Avilla won 22 to 2. Just a quiet evening. The boys played ball. Cathy read a book and I crocheted on some glass jackets. Warren played a little catch over at Bruce's filling station. Watched "Marty" on television.

Monday, June 25, 1962 .. Sunny and warm again today. High 82. Girls helped to get the house in order this morning in case someone might come to look at it and ran some errands. Paid the telephone bill. Defrosted the refrigerator. Also cut out a red dress for Carol and started sewing it. Washed all day. Will be ready to iron tomorrow. Warren and children went to watch Avilla Little League play. Worked on front windows tonight getting them ready to putty and paint.

Tuesday, June 26, 1962 .. Sun is still shining. High 82 again. Painted and puttied front windows. The 3 oldest kids went to Pretty Lake to go swimming. They go on the bus. I bought 12 towels for curtains in the girls bedroom. Then if we move we can use them as towels, if not needed for curtains. Warren had a ball game tonight against Dana. Eckrich won 10 to 3.

Wednesday, June 27, 1962 .. Weather is just the same today. Painted windows in the girls room again. Carol baked some chocolate cup cakes. Cathy worked on her 4-H apron. I ironed all afternoon and evening too. Warren scraped the end of the house so we could paint it.

Thursday, June 28, 1962 .. High today to reach 88. Still sunshiney. Cathy, Carol and John went to Pretty Lake again on the bus. I ironed, mowed the yard, washed floors, and worked on Carol's dress. Cathy had a 4-H meeting tonight.

Friday, June 29, 1962 .. Still hot and sunny. Defrosted the freezer today, finished Carol's dress. Cleaned the house a little. Went to Eavey's tonight. Bought \$31 worth of groceries. Warren bought himself some new shoes, ball hats for the boys and white canvas shoes for Carol.

Saturday, June 30, 1962 .. Had a very little rain shower this morning but not enough to wet the ground under the trees. The grass is so dry. We could surely use a good rain! The children sorted through \$2.00 worth of pennies this morning for their collections. Didn't find many they could use. Did get 3 silver dollars at the bank, 1935, 1885, 1887. Washed the girl's hair. Started doing exercises this afternoon. Went to Hometown Fair tonight. Rode on a few rides, had cotton candy, ice cones, and pop corn. Well, the kids rode on the rides, I mean. Also had an outdoor basketball game for Warren to watch. Saw a lot of people

we knew. Had rain in Hometown today. The air cooled off quite a bit.

Sunday, July 1, 1962 .. Partly cloudy but still pretty warm. Warren had a game at Garrett this afternoon. Garrett beat Eckrich by 1 run in an overtime game. Came home and ate hot dogs and sodas. Looked at old pictures and worked in photo books. They are falling apart quite badly.

Monday, July 2, 1962 .. Rained today. All day. Cinda Rinkenberger was here and of course the kids had to play indoors all day. Puff, our kitten has been gone all day. Cathy is very sad about it. We tried to decide tonight where we might take a little trip on Warren's vacation. Just to stay overnight. Probably go to the zoo somewhere. Quite chilly all day. High only reached 66.

Tuesday, July 3, 1962 .. Still cloudy and rainy. Puff came home today. He was at Willie Garwoods. (As I think about that situation, I believe that we thought that Willie took the cat).

Wednesday, July 4, 1962 .. Didn't do anything special today. Just stayed home and loafed. Crocheted some this afternoon. Started a pair of pink slippers. The children lit sparklers for the evening celebration.

Thursday, July 5, 1962 .. Partly cloudy and warmer. The piece came for my washer today. Warren fixed it tonight. The Avilla Merchants had a softball game here tonight. Watched it a while. They played a Rome City team.

Friday, July 6, 1962 .. Very hot today. Washed and ironed clothes all day, trying to catch up. Eckrich played Spears tonight and got beat 9 to 1. The first innings were fine but then the errors came thick and fast. Took Carol to the doctor today. She got a shot and some pills for her poison ivy or whatever it is. It has spread to her chest. Cost 6.50.

Saturday, July 7, 1962 .. Another hot day. Bought John and Cathy new shoes. Also 2 blouses for me and socks for Warren. Took baths and washed hair getting ready for the Fitch Reunion tomorrow.

Sunday, July 8, 1962 .. Started out very hot today too but it sprinkled a little and the air cooled off some. Got up at 6:00 to make potato salad and cup cakes. Got ready and left home about 11:00. We picked up Warren's folks and went to Shoaff Park near Fort Wayne for the Fitch Reunion. It was the 60th gathering of the Nathaniel and Sarah E. Fitch families. Got a little more of the family history. Most of the people were strangers to me and to Warren too, I guess. It rained quite hard there but didn't here at home. Had a lot of good food to eat. On the way home we went by a 40 acre farm that Cecil Myers owns and may sell. It looks rather nice. The house is old and not too big but would like to see the inside to tell how much room it does have. It is in Allen Co. All tired out tonight. The family went over to the ball diamond to watch Avilla play again.

Monday, July 9, 1962 .. It has cooled off quite a bit today. Kept the house all closed up. Washed and ironed.

Tuesday, July 10, 1962 .. Scrubbed floors and waxed them today. ^{parks?} Worked on another dress for Carol. This one is aqua. John Clark (?) played with John today. Went to Cecil Myers to ask about their house but it will not be for sale unless they can buy the one they are in. Depends on the Fitches since they own that one. Also stopped by John and Sylvia Myers too. Saw their new baby, Debbie.

Wednesday, July 11, 1962 .. Quite warm again. Mowed the yard this morning. Helped Cathy with her 4-H projects. Now she is making a draw-string bag from terrycloth. Didn't turn out quite right but it is cute anyway. The material was probably too heavy. Warren was to play Magnavox tonight but was rained out about 6:00 pm.

Thursday, July 12, 1962 .. Didn't seem to get much accomplished today. Went with Cathy to her 4-H meeting tonight. She had a practice dress revue and wore her apron. I may have her do part of her apron over again. Some of the other girl's aprons looked better than hers. So guess I will let her try one more time. Don't want her disappointed the first year. Mrs. Mitchell, the leader, seems nice and has a world of patience with the girls. There are 70 in the club, the Merry Maidens. The rest of the family went to watch the Avilla Merchants again. Seems they are playing all the time these days.

Friday, July 13, 1962 .. Quite Warm again. Partly cloudy all day. The boys were gone most of the afternoon, playing ball at the ball park. Carol is looking much better. Her spots are fading away but think her face is still a little bit puffy. She wants to go to mom's on Monday and stay all night. Susan is to be there too. Hope she is able to go. Washed my hair today and the girls too. Cathy read and rode her bicycle. Chicken and french fries for supper. Baked a lemon cake and brownies. Warren had a ball game tonight at West Swinney (Swiney, nope nothing looks right). It rained and drizzled most of the game. They played Ballastran and won 9 to 6. It was a tourney game. The team had their usual run of errors. No hits for Warren.

Saturday, July 14, 1962 .. Rained all morning, then started clearing up. Did the usual Saturday chores. Cleaned, banking and store. Also caught up on the bookwork. Carol went on service calls with Warren. Paid the light bill and the gas bill. John found only one penny out of 200 that he could use this morning.

Sunday, July 15, 1962 .. Wet and rainy today. No hard rain but just enough to be miserable. Eckrich played at West Swinney. Just 3 innings before they were rained out. Had to sit in the car. They played Southern Lounge. Jim Kees is pitching for them. Went to the folks. Mom cut the boys hair. She also had a bunch of old clothes that the lady she works for gave her. Several skirts, sweaters and slacks. Some will have to be altered. Carol stayed with the folks tonight. Susan will come tomorrow and they will stay together on Monday night. Surely hope the sun shines. Stopped raining this evening. Warren took the boys to the ball park. The Merchants were to have a game but the other team didn't show up so they practiced. Warren pitched to them. Had hot dogs and sodas for supper.

Monday, July 16, 1962 .. Still cloudy but the sun came out occasionally. It didn't rain here. Washed clothes and ironed. Altered skirts and pressed them. Most things need no changes.' Just a little mending. Cathy read all day and the boys ran in and out. Avilla Merchants played again. A team from Albion. Hively was the pitcher. Warren pitched 8 innings for Avilla and the score was tied 1 to 1 so they just quit. It was really just a pitcher's duel. Warren pitched a no-hitter but a man scored on errors. Quite a crowd coming to watch the games.

Tuesday, July 17, 1962 .. Sunny most of the day. Ironed more this morning. Went to Kendallville with Donna and got my beginners permit. Passed the test with a perfect score. Now to learn to drive so I can pass that one. Bought the boys some socks and a dress pattern for me. Carol came home tonight. She was very tired! Her face is a little worse I think. May have to call the doctor again tomorrow. Warren went on service calls tonight. The kids played in the yard with Cinda Lou. I crocheted a little on my slippers.

Wednesday, July 18, 1962 .. Sunny and warm. Carol slept late this morning. Cathy baked some cinnamon rolls. They were very good. Took Carol to the doctor this afternoon. He said that she is allergic to something. Possibly the kitten or corn pollen. It is not something that she eats, only from the outside. He gave her pills and capsules. The kitten will have to go Grandma's for the time being. Warren played Magnavox tonight and beat them. It was a practice game. We did not go as it was right after work. When he got home, he dashed over to see the last of the Avilla game. They won too. Then home and to bed.

Thursday, July 19, 1962 .. Warm and sunny. Cathy and John went swimming at Pretty Lake on the bus this afternoon. Larry went to play at the Ross boy's house. Carol just stayed home and made some wintergreen wafers. I baked some cookies and made meat loaf and french fries for supper. Mended and remade old clothes all day and then ironed them and put them away. Extremely rushed at suppertime and almost didn't get my exercises done. Can't miss those. Warren worked until 11:00 in the shop.

Friday, July 20, 1962 .. Warm and cloudy. Defrosted the refrig. Needed it badly. Then I spent the rest of the day helping Cathy with her 4-H apron. She did part of it over. I believe it is much better this time. "McCalls Needlework" finally came. So many pretty things to make. Probably won't get any of them made. Supposed to be a ball game tonight but was rained out about 5:00. It really poured for a while. Just spent a quiet evening at home.

Saturday, July 21, 1962 .. The sun was shining this morning. Much cooler and a strong wind has been blowing. Did the usual Saturday chores. Ironed and did exercises. I'm afraid Puff is sick. Just lays around and sleeps. I hope she gets over whatever she has. The kids will be broken hearted if anything would happen to her. Warren had a game this evening at 7:00. He was supposed to play with Southern Lounge. They played Dana. Joe Hively pitched against us. Warren didn't get to play except to pinch-hit. Hit a pop fly. Anyway S.L. got beat 4 to 1. That is the end of the ASA for this year. Surely got over with in a hurry. Cuba Church (which is almost the whole Lengacher team) played and won the second game. Ivoe was there. Will be leaving for Ohio this next Thursday.

Sunday, July 22, 1962 .. Ate an early dinner and went down to South Whitley to look at a house. We couldn't find it but know now that the drive is much too far for Warren to drive back and forth to work every day so we may as well forget about that. Went to Eavey's and the boys went to the beach to see Monty's beat Spears. Then we came home and the men went to play ball a while. Had quite a rainstorm about 8:30. Finished a yellow clock potholder that I had started to crochet. It worked up pretty fast.

Monday, July 23, 1962 .. Cool all day. A little cloudy. Cleaned house this morning. Washed and ironed the rest of the day. Still had ironing to do in the evening. Just have pants to press tomorrow. Warren and the kids tossed a few balls tonight. Just to keep in practice, of course. Put the kids to bed early. Must get up and be at the school for 4-H judging at 8:30 tomorrow morning. Watched on television today the first live broadcast from the satellite Telestar. Quite a feat.

Tuesday, July 24, 1962 .. Up early and off to the school house. Very surprised when Cathy got an A on her apron. They did not count off for not-too-straight seams. She is to take it to Albion to be judged as a state fair possibility. Hers was the only one from this club to be chosen. She was very happy. Came home about noon. Finished ironing and did some mending. Never get through with that job. Cathy went to Pretty Lake to swim. The boys played at the park and Carol played house right here. She is clearing up very well and can perhaps go swimming on Thursday. Her pills are almost gone. The kids also received their 30¢ coupon for a treat at DeLucenay's drug store for reading 15 books from the library this summer. Puff is going to be all right. She is almost her own self again. Must have been hurt in some way. She has a sore spot on her head.

Wednesday, July 25, 1962 .. Warmer today. Straightened house and did some washing. Started a smocked pillow. Don't think I like the pattern. It is not a Mc Calls and doesn't look as nice. But will try one of combroy to see how it will turn out. Went to give blood this afternoon at the Methodist Church. No ill effects whatsoever. Did some embroidery work for a while and finished a rooster potholder. Called Marcia Bruce to ask about their baby. She is come along fine. Warren stayed after work and played Int. College. Beat them 8 to 1. Cooled off quite a bit tonight.

Thursday, July 26, 1962 .. Very cool this morning. Windy and partly cloudy. Carol got her little camera from Bazooka Bubble Gum. She paid 50¢ and 10 wrappers for it. She was all excited. It came in time for our vacation. I ironed and did some hand washing. Bought myself a badly needed dishpan. It is aluminum and cost \$1.75. Had a so-called game at Rome City. The score was outrageous. Avilla won. Warren played a little. Got a little fresh air drive through the country anyway.

Friday, July 27, 1962 .. A little warmer. The wind was still today. Washed the dining room wall today and washed the curtains. Starched them and ironed them too. Cleaned the rest of the house but didn't get the floors scrubbed like I wanted to. Warren had a game with Spears and they got beat 8 to 1. That is the end of Eckrich in the tournament.

Saturday, July 28, 1962 .. Weather was mild and cloudy today. Went to Fort Wayne with Warren. Bought swim trunks for the boys and thongs for Carol. Also sun glasses for the kids and pants for John, but that was in Avilla. Stopped at Cutler's for a few minutes on the way home and also at Fisher's for groceries. Then home to our usual Saturday night fare - hamburgers. Delicious with onions. Trying to get the ironing caught up. Must have everything clean to go to Chicago. Cathy and John went with Stoner's to help deliver papers. Cathy is going almost every day with Mary Stoner. Burned trash in the yard tonight and had a late supper and sodas.

Sunday, July 29, 1962 .. Had an early dinner and went to Garrett. Warren umpired a double-header that Garrett played against Peru. I took the girls and went to the bowling alley. Did pretty well. 174-174-190, 146 and got 2 free games. The sun was very hot at the ball field. We walked to the games from the bowling alley. Umpiring was harder on Warren than pitching would have been. Was hit by several balls. Had root beers and came home. It was a long afternoon. Hot dogs for supper, except for Warren and he had ham sandwiches.

Monday, July 30, 1962 .. First day of Warren's vacation. Cloudy this morning but the sun came out later on so we went to Pretty Lake for a picnic. Roasted hot dogs. The water was cool but pretty nice as long as the sun was shining. Got a little sunburn but not too bad. Also went to Warren's folks for a while. Washed both cars and windows. Guess maybe the Fitches will sell the big farm so we have something else to think about. Brought home some green beans.

Tuesday, July 31, 1962 .. Up very early this morning. Had to get Cathy ready for the dress revue at Albion Gym. We went to Albion with Mrs. Penland. Think Cathy placed A group but will not know until Friday night, that is if we get home from Chicago in time. Must be in Wawaka at 7:30. Warren worked in our willow trees all day and I tried to help. Got some limbs down but others still need trimming. Very tired tonight. The Avilla Merchants played a team from Magnavox and won. Warren managed the team tonite and when they got in a tight spot in the last inning he came in to pitch and so they finally won 8 to 5.

Wednesday August 1, 1962 .. Spent most of the day washing and ironing and packing things to go tomorrow. Baked chocolate cupcakes and made lemonade to take. Put the kids to bed as early as possible after baths and hair washes. Warren took John and went to Rome City to play golf this afternoon. It was John's first experience on the golf course. He got to play a few holes.

Thursday, August 2, 1962 .. Got up at 5:00 am and put things in the car and started for Chicago. The weather was nice and cool for traveling. Got to Brookfield Zoo about 10:00. By 3:00 we had covered most of it. Everyone was getting tired. So we took off to look for our motel. That was quite a trip but finally made it. The Holiday Inn was air-conditioned, had TV and all. After resting we went to a near-by restaurant and got chicken to carry back. We ate in our room. Had a short rain shower. Then about 7:00 we went to O'Hare Air Port and watched the jets and big airplanes take off. We went up in the observation deck. They are quite impressive. Planes take off every few minutes. Actually watching the big jets take off so gracefully sort of takes your breath away. It looks like they are moving ever so slowly. Then we went back to a shopping center. We bought Larry a couple T-shirts and Cathy her bicycle basket, candy and milk. Everyone had showers before bedtime.

Friday, August 3, 1962 .. Sunny and warm again. High in the 80s. We got up about 7:30 and packed our things to leave the motel. We left about 9:00 and picked up some doughnuts and fruit juices. We put these in an insulated bag to take to the ballgame. Got to Cominsky Park about 10:00. Quite a job to get through the traffic. Had to wait for tickets and finally got into the park about 11:30. We ate green grapes, donuts, milk and fruit juice (orange). The Yanks beat the White Sox 10 to 2. They hit 3 home runs. The kids got to see Mickey Mantle, Roger Maris, and other players of course, but at a distance. The boys are Yankee fans. The ballgame was over at 4:30 and we got out of Chicago about 5:15. Traffic was quite bad. Stopped about halfway home on the toll road at a service stop and had hamburgers, french fries and cokes. That revived us and we started for home. We made it to Wawaka at 8:00 just as the dress revue was to start. But Cathy's apron was not even there so she didn't get to model. She also did not get a ribbon. She didn't seem too disappointed. Too tired to care, I guess. Warren came on home with the other kids and Cathy and I stayed and came home with Mrs. Mitchell, the 4-H leader. Warren went to the ball diamond and pitched the last inning against Garrett. Avilla won 5 to 4. Quite a day! Everyone, anyway Warren and I, were exhausted.

Saturday, August 4, 1962 ..Sunny and quite warm today. Got up and put things away. Cleaned house a little and washed dirty clothes. Quite worn out.

Sunday, August 5, 1962 .. Very hot today. Had an early dinner and went to McMillan Park to Warren's class reunion. Not too many there. The Bakers were the only ones I knew very well. Stopped at the folks on the way home. Got a few tomatoes. Dad is not back from his trip to Canada. Also stopped at the shopping center by the folks to look at Bicycles for Carol. She came home with one. It is nearly like Cathy's.

Wednesday, August 8, 1962 .. We got the yard cleaned up today. Limbs taken away and Warren mowed the yard.

Thursday, August 9, 1962 .. I took the kids to Grandma Fitch's to stay while Warren and I played? golf at Rome City. We both had an awful time, but it was fun! Played 18 holes or was it 19? Weather was nice and mild today. Spent an hour, or so at the Fitch's and then home.

Friday, August 10, 1962 .. Warren and John were up before six to go fishing. Came home about noon but hadn't caught very many. Can hardly believe that the vacation is about over. Haven't worked very hard myself. Did quite a bit of crocheting when there was a free moment. Carol has been feeling a little under the weather, but not really sick. She seems much better this evening. The All-Star game was tonight at the beach. Warren got to pitch 2 innings but they got beat. They played Monty's. Sat with Earn (Earnestine) and Jake Yoder's wife. Warren was asked to play with Dana in the Markle tournament, the 23rd of this month. That is the same night as our first bowling meeting.

Sunday, August 12, 1962 .. Larry is not feeling very good today. Guess he has a touch of what Carol had. He has a little fever tho so I stayed home with him. The rest of the family went to the ball diamond to play ball. Finished a white filet doily I had started.

Monday, August 13, 1962 .. Well, vacation is over. Seemed funny to have to get up early. Did a big basket of ironing. Cleaned the bathroom and living room and washed and waxed the floors. Warren was busy with TVs tonight. The weather was very cool and windy and the kids stayed in most of the day. Larry is OK. today.

Tuesday, August 14, 1962 .. Still very cold. Not so windy but cloudy and cold. My dryer is still out so I am hanging my clothes on the line. Had a little trouble drying them today. Scrubbed the kitchen and dining room floors and waxed them. Now Cathy is not feeling good. She slept most of the day but by evening was perking up and she ate a good supper. Warren worked until after 11:00 on TV sets.

Wednesday, August 15, 1962 .. A little warmer today. At least the sun is shining. Went through the girls clothes for school. Carol gets most of Cathy's things so guess Cathy will have some new ones. They also need new coats this year. Did some more washing. Baked brownies and had round steak for supper. Avilla Merchants had a game in Avilla tonight. They beat a team from Garrett quite a bit. They are thinking about getting a tournament together for September. That would be fun.

Thursday August 16, 1962 .. Cloudy again but not so cool.

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Wm. W.

Dear Mr. W.

How are you today? We are all well.
I guess another fall has been made and
it is time for another washing & dye the
clothes you made Sunday. Happy Sunday.
We were at home yesterday for the day
trying to get the children ready for school.
It gives the girls each a permanent. It
seems the children had just stopped top
in fact it is hard to believe when you
see with some that a new one. I have
been making a few dresses for the girls but
mostly they have been to make and give
them to go to school. I have made a new long
shirt for the boys too.

Warren's vacation was the first I. week in
August. He went to Chicago for a day and
to St. Paul for a day to be that the girls in
the school to watch the 4th of July. It was
a very busy day. The 4th day of the
the boys (we all went) to see the fireworks and
the show. They play baseball. He had a very good
time but we could not go to the show with
large city.

Then you see the report top you made
yesterday is very appropriate. I am going
to make some more clothes and will have it
ready before cold weather sets in. Nearly all
my clothes have been made by you or Warren's
mother. I have one made by Warren
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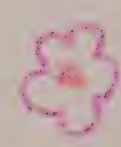
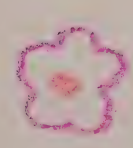
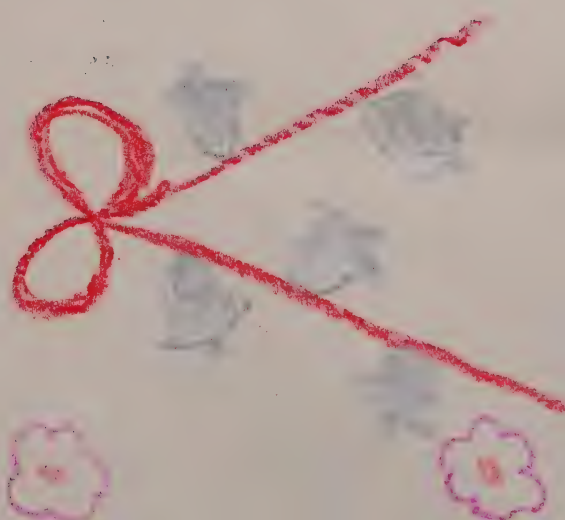
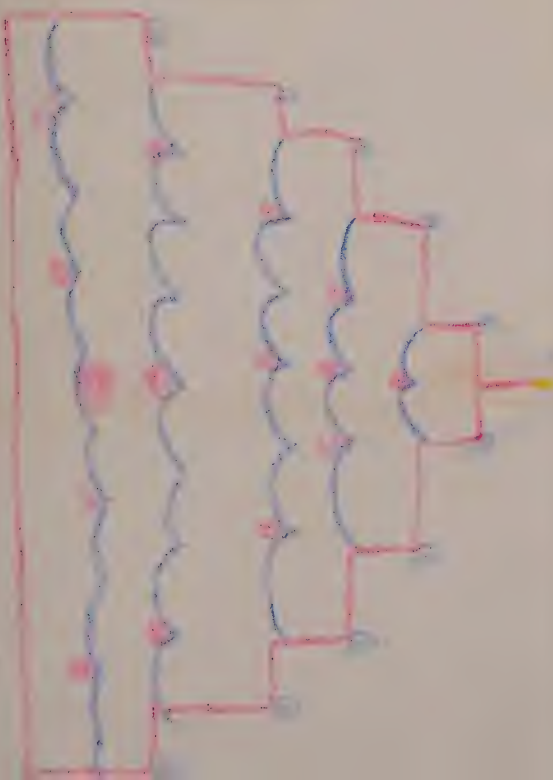
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glued but her fingers are always busy like
yours. She makes many quilt too. Also she
makes some other things like the picture

Well, my work is awaiting me this
morning. Then you will be glad to know
that I have a basket of sewing to
be done. Also a few tomatoes to can so
they won't spoil and a dirty house to clean.
I am to have that early day.

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that I treasure handmade items as great
dear. I have a piece with the name of a
a little sewing cabinet made for Wanda
your young friend. It was badly
checked but I refinished it and now it
looks like a wooden playhouse.
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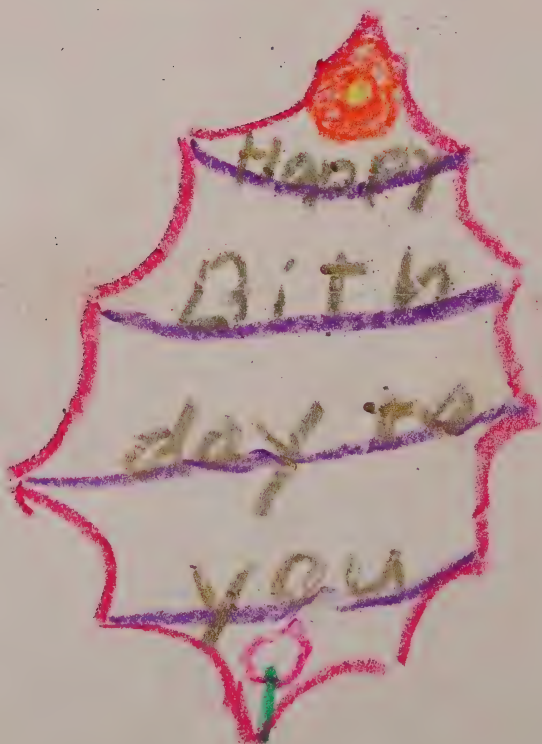
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Cathy



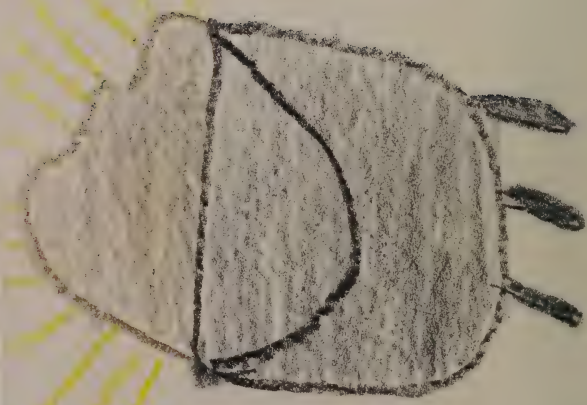
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happy Birthday
great
grandmother



John





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LARRY

Eckrich at McMillan Park
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Gene Godfrey
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Warren
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Eckrich playing
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Warren pitching





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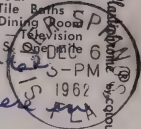
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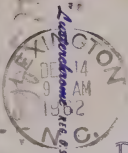
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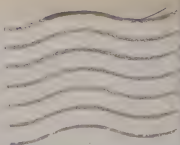
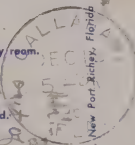
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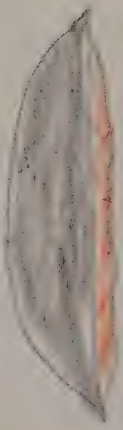
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CAROL got a
spinning wheel-
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The boys got
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Christmas 1962

Last Christmas
in Avilla

Bathroom in the back
Needlework pieces
I made and framed.
Handmade candles

Mom made the girls
nite caps



The beginning of my
magazine collection.

Thurs March 21, 1963

He 1

How are you today? Hope you are feeling better. I feel quite guilty that I have not written to you sooner. I started letters to you twice but was always interrupted and never did get them finished.

I wanted to thank you for the dress material and the wall motto you sent to me. As yet the material is not made up but I plan to get at it soon. I was very pleased with the motto. I have it on the living room wall right now. I am quite proud of it. You will have to come see my collection some day. I have four needlework pictures that I made myself. Warrens mother gave me an old cookbook that is very interesting. It tells how to do many things that I suppose were just everyday jobs when you were married but I found it lots of fun to read. It tells household hints and home remedies as well as recipes.

I am sending the childrens school pictures. I had intended to send them at Christmas time but I couldnt find them. I found them recently behind a box in the bookcase. Guess it pays to clean out things occasionally!

Spring cleaning time will soon be here but the sun will have to shine and get warmer before I will start. We had quite a blizzard last nite but it seems to be melting today.

We took the children to the Magnus roller skating party last nite. It was the first time they had skated on a rink and they had a good time.

The girls are in 4-H this year. Cathy was in it last year but this is Carle

first year. That will keep them quite busy
'this summer' (and mother too I'm afraid).
Cathy is taking cooking, sewing, room improvement
and crafts. Carol is taking sewing and
crafts. They have to make aprons, skirts,
potholders etc. They enjoy it but it does
take a lot of time. It's a very good way
for them to learn tho.

A week from Saturday I should be in
Indianapolis. We are bowling in the state
tournament. 25 women in our league will
go. I am crocheting a jacket and am
trying to have it finished by then.

It sounds like all we do is "play"
doesn't it? Well, we miss a little work in
here and there. I often wonder how you
managed with your family. No doubt you
had no time for play at all. I do have
spare time in the winter. Usually I spend it
sewing and making things.

Well, the children are home from school
early today. The teachers are having some
sort of meeting so I must get busy. ~~make~~
sort of a basket of ironing and nothing baked
for supper. Take care of yourself and come
out when you have a chance. I hope
everything goes well with your arm and you
are soon on the go again.

Betty and family

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Rome City



Julia Gemmill
York Center

NOBLE NAMES WINNER—Julia Gemmill, an eighth grade student at York Center School, will represent Noble County in the 1965 Journal-Gazette Area Spelling Bee Saturday at North Side High School in Fort Wayne. Eighteen boys and girls, all spelling champions at their respective schools, competed for the Noble County title. Runnerup in the contest held at Albion High School was Diann Bailey, a seventh grader at Cromwell School. No pictures were available of Kathy Kammerer, champion at St. John's Lutheran, and Linda Helmkamp, St. Mary's Catholic.)

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Spelling winner named

Another school spelling champion was named last week — but it took one hour and five minutes and 887 words before Cathy Fitch, (pictured here) daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Fitch, LaOtto, was crowned the 1965 winner at the LaOtto Elementary School.

Cindia Dennis, the runner-up, misspelled the word "civilized." Cathy proceeded to spell this word correctly and then spelled the word "drawer" to become champion. She will compete in the county spell-down April 9 in Albion.



Cathy Fitch

In the LaOtto School, students in the fifth, sixth and seventh grades compete in the contest. The fourth grade takes part in the spelling bee, but is not eligible to win. However, it looked for some time as though the fourth grade might provide the real champion, as Cathy's brother, John Fitch, until he was one of the three remaining contestants.

Students taking part were John Pepple, Kathy Bianski, Dennis Graft, Phil Whan, Ron Hoot, Dennis Jordan, Terry Gaff, Cathy Fitch, Wanda Campbell and Pam Johnson, of the seventh grade; Allan Grabill, Greg Alday, Steve Gross, Steve Thompson, Linda Wright, Glenda McCoy, Roger Schenk, and Sandra Ball of the sixth grade; Donna Anderson, Linda Shisler, Carol Fitch, Don Troyer, Ellie Jetmore, Carol Jetmore, Connie Bianski, Jo Bolton, Cindia Dennis and Melba Gaff, of the fifth grade; and Douglas Dennis, Debra Wilson, John Fitch, Lynn Kessler, Terry Whan, Shariene Reynolds and Karen Freeman of the fourth grade.

it's fun to be a model at your dress revue

If you are to be a model at your Dress Revue, you will want to be the best one possible.

A graceful, poised model makes her audience believe that the costume she is wearing is the most beautiful they have ever seen. These professional modeling tips for showing clothes effectively will help you do the same with the dress that you have made. Practice in front of a mirror, until every motion is easy and natural.

■ *Whatever you do, do it gracefully.* If you are confident and at ease your audience will agree that *your Dress Revue outfit is the most beautiful they have ever seen!*



WHEN YOU MODEL...

1 Be ready for your cue to enter—either from the commentator or a director in the wings. Pause in the entrance and “think tall.” This is your reminder to walk straight with head held high.

2 Walk on stage briskly, look at your audience and **smile**.

3 On stage, keep moving—not fast, not slow, but with rhythm natural to you.

4 Listen to the commentator, but do not look at her. She may ask you to remove your jacket or display a special part of your costume. When she describes your outfit, turn slightly to the right and then to the left so all the audience can see the details. Study the directions in this leaflet... turn at the right time with professional poise.

5 Listen for your cue to **leave** the stage. As you leave, smile. Don't forget that last pleasant look at your audience.

WHEN YOU STAND...

Keeep your body turned slightly to the audience, with arms relaxed, one arm forward and the other tucked behind you like the cover model. Place your feet in a “T” position. This is the most slimming line you can present and it shows you and your fashion at its best. Avoid a full-front stance!

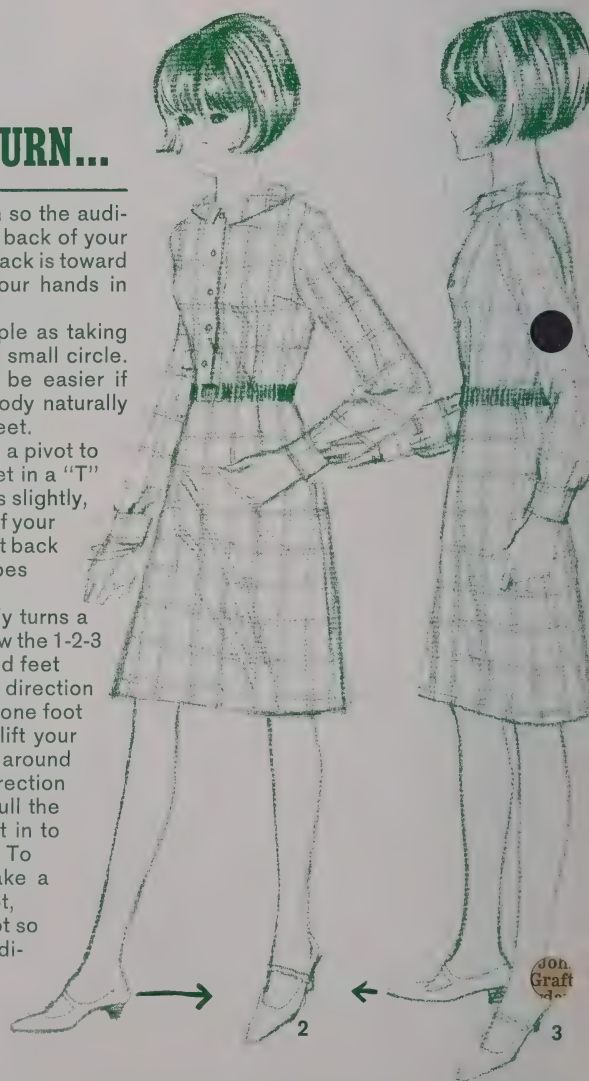
WHEN YOU TURN...

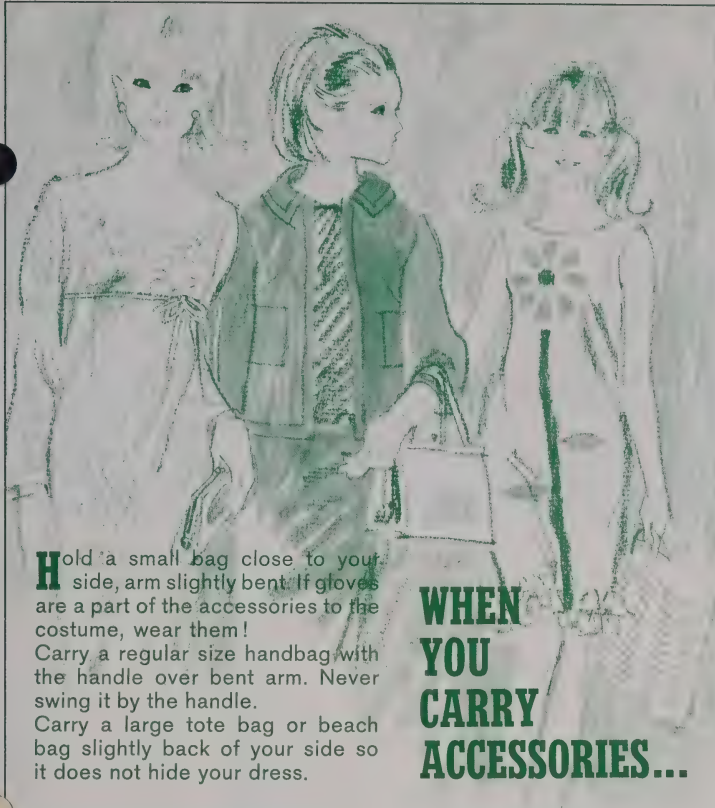
Make a graceful turn so the audience can see the back of your costume. When your back is toward the audience keep your hands in front of your body.

A turn can be as simple as taking a few short steps in a small circle. Any type of turn will be easier if you let your body naturally follow your feet.

The half-turn is a pivot to the side. With feet in a “T” position, lift your heels slightly, pivot in the direction of your back foot. Pause. Pivot back to original position. Toes never leave the floor.

In a full-turn your body turns a complete circle. Follow the 1-2-3 directions for body and feet positions. Turn in the direction of the arrows. **1)** With one foot in front of the other, lift your heels slightly, **2)** pivot around on your toes in the direction of the back foot. **3)** Pull the heel of your front foot in to the other foot. Pause. To complete the turn, take a step with the front foot, **1)** step around, **2)** pivot so you again face the audience. **3)** Pull heel in. Start walking, leading with front foot.



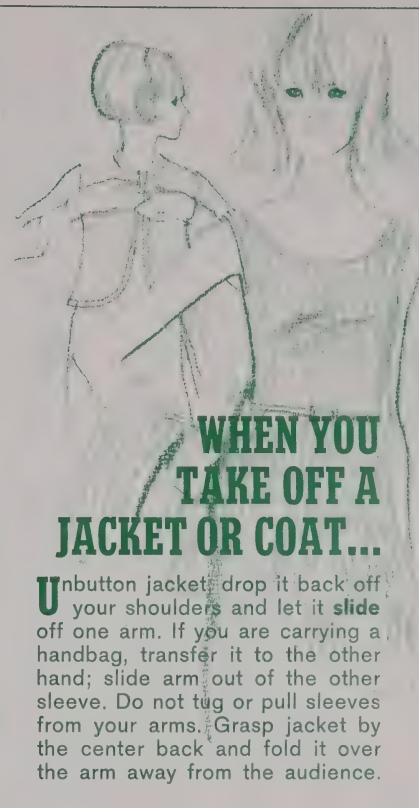


Hold a small bag close to your side, arm slightly bent. If gloves are a part of the accessories to the costume, wear them!

Carry a regular size handbag with the handle over bent arm. Never swing it by the handle.

Carry a large tote bag or beach bag slightly back of your side so it does not hide your dress.

WHEN YOU CARRY ACCESSORIES...



WHEN YOU TAKE OFF A JACKET OR COAT...

Unbutton jacket; drop it back off your shoulders and let it slide off one arm. If you are carrying a handbag, transfer it to the other hand; slide arm out of the other sleeve. Do not tug or pull sleeves from your arms. Grasp jacket by the center back and fold it over the arm away from the audience.

SPOTLIGHT FASHION DETAILS GRACEFULLY

Before using hand gestures, practice until they're natural.

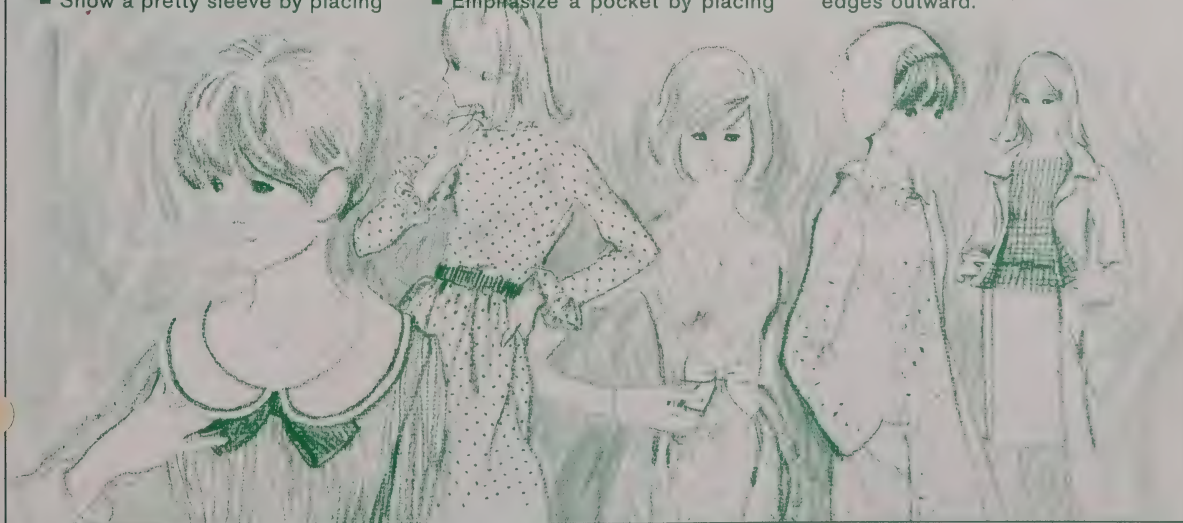
- Call attention to a collar by gently slipping your fingertips under it.
- Show a pretty sleeve by placing

hand on hip, thumb forward.

- Point out a decorative detail, belt or waistline placement with a graceful gesture.
- Emphasize a pocket by placing

your fingertips in it, thumb out. Keep hand flat.

- Show off an unusual lining in jacket or coat by holding front edges outward.



FASHION GROOMING TIPS BEFORE THE SHOW...

- **CLEANLINESS** . . . Take a shower or bath the morning of the Dress Revue; give neck and elbows a good scrubbing.
- **DEODORANT** . . . Check perspiration by using a deodorant every day. On the day of the Dress Revue use anti-perspirant if possible.
- **UNDERCLOTHES** . . . Your personal lingerie must be spotless.
- **FOUNDATIONS** . . . Even the slimmest figure needs a girdle.
- **YOUR OUTFIT AND ACCESSORIES** . . . Have your outfit freshly pressed. Wear nylons and dress shoes if your outfit calls for them. Keep all your accessories together.
- **MAKE-UP** . . . Wear just enough make-up to make you look pretty and well-groomed. If lights will be extremely bright, a little extra make-up may be in order, but a natural look should be your goal.
- **IMPORTANT REST** . . . Be sure to get enough sleep every night, especially before the Dress Revue so you will be fresh and alert.

ON WITH THE SHOW...



Be on time! Dress quickly and be ready for your cues.

DRESSING LIKE A MODEL...

Follow these professional models' techniques for easier, speedier dressing: Put your girdle and shoes on **before** putting on the dress so you will not have to sit down in your freshly pressed outfit — it may wrinkle!

Watch your make-up! If you have time, remove all lipstick before putting on and taking off a garment or put a piece of tissue between your lips as you slip a dress over your head. Or, tie a sheer scarf over your head before putting on a dress. This protects your make-up, your hair and your garment.

Put a dress on properly. Drop the skirt over your head first. Then run your arms up the sleeves before trying to get the waist over your shoulders. This way you will not split the waistline seam. See that dress shields are in place as you put on the dress.

Do not drink or eat while wearing your Dress Revue clothes.

Put lipstick on carefully. Don't forget that important final check in the mirror.



WHEN THE SHOW IS OVER...



Hang garments on provided hangers and return them to their proper place. Be sure to button all the buttons, zip all zippers.

Help straighten the dressing room.



Laotto House



looks like Cowboys & Indians

dining room window



looks like John trying to feed a cat!



harry is busy

Scenes at Laotto

Is that Carol on her head??



harry
Always doing something!



Larry, probably watching the ants!



Bathroom
window

Kittys waiting at the back
door.



Cat on a hot tin roof.

We did have one big yellow
tom cat that just fell off the
roof dead. He must have either
touched or bit into an electrical
cord.

This was a little porch on the
southwest corner of the house.



Baby kitty. This was another
back door we didn't use.

Living at Laotto, Indiana

I have written all about this in other accounts but I am going to type this one anyway because it may be different in some respects.

We lived at Laotto for 2 years from September 1963 to December 1965 when we moved into our new home. The children and I enjoyed this home with a few exceptions. The first fall was long and dry and warm, not getting cold until late December. The house was sunny and breezy in the summer and the barns were a sheer joy to the kids and I. The house was also very breezy in the winter. We had 3 registers for 4 kids and I. We would try to find one to get dressed over. We had a coal furnace but burned wood until it got quite cold. I remember going down to the basement to push these big chunks of wood into the furnace. We sawed wood and hauled it in a wagon behind the tractor from Grandpa Fitch's woods.

The Christmas of 1964 we were really snowed in. The heaviest snowfall I could ever remember up to that time fell on Christmas Eve. We were concerned that Warren would not make it home from Magnavox but he did. A bulldozer from the new elementary school that they were building plowed us out. It was a pretty long lane and there were stacks of snow. We had not only snow but much wind to pile it up. As I write this I am not quite sure if it was 1963 or 1964 but it must have been 1964 because that was the year they started the school house. Up until then it had been just an open field beside us.

The kids and I found many "antiques" and "relics" in the barns and basement. Really just junk left behind and fun to collect. At that time I doubt if anything that we found was worth very much. The barn was great for basketball, Zip the pony, and plenty of cats. We had 32 at one time, and I think that turned Warren from ever liking cats again. They would almost attack you when you would go out the back door and were forever hungry, hungry. Some of us probably enjoyed this home more than any other we had ever lived in. Carol had a few bad experiences with neighborhood kids and Warren did not have the time to enjoy it as the rest of us did and he thought it was awfully cold. We rented it for \$55.00 a month. It may have been \$50.00 to begin with. That was a good price even then.

The summers were great. I refinished furniture, did a lot of sewing, got a brand new Singer sewing machine (a Touch and Sew), had a nice garden and in general just enjoyed life. There was a beautiful lilac bush outside the rec room window that was lovely in the spring. We had roses, black raspberries, peaches, walnuts falling on the roof in the fall and wind whistling through the pine tree in the winter. We were close enough that the kids could walk to school and the store but still feel like we were out in the country. Behind us were just large fields. We had our milk delivered by Price's Dairy of Huntertown.



Our cat Puff had six kittens
on Thursday March 26, 1964

One froze to death. One is a calico color
like her grandmother and another is
just like her mother. The others are gray, black
black + white. The dead one is gray + white.

Friday
March
27
1964

signatures of John Fitch-

Larry Fitch - 8

Mom Fitch - 33 $\frac{1}{2}$

Gaby Fitch - 12

Carol Fitch 10

that message

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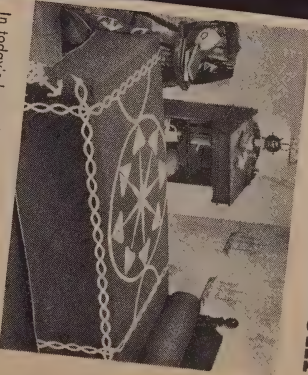
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One froze to death. One is now up
just like grand mother and another is
black & white. She is now pregnant.

Friday
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signature of Jim Smith

March 1 - 8

March 1 - 33 7/8

March 1 - 12

Carol Smith - 10

that message



Puff had many kittens here. The round barn was a real novelty and we were nearly the last ones to enjoy it before it burned down. That happened a couple years after we moved. We heard that some boys were smoking in the barn so it caught on fire and couldn't be saved even though the fire department was only a couple blocks away. The girls did great in 4-H at Laotto, getting purple ribbons and a couple of state fair entries. Peg Hoot was their leader. Cathy won the spelling bee at Laotto and John nearly beat her.

John played baseball. Cathy rode Zip. This pony must have been a ring pony because he rode in circles. Warren tried to ride him and he tried to ram him up against the fence. The pony tried to ram Warren up against the fence, that is. Our pony days were not too long or successful. Zip ran off across the fields. And we had to go chase him down a couple of times. We finally decided that he was more trouble than he was worth and "set in his ways", so we took him to an auction and I stayed around until he was sold. Warren took the kids back home. Roy Waters bought him. I never let on that he was our pony when they sold him. Probably not the right thing to do and right now I'm not sure why we did it that way. I guess that Roy kept him for years.

Puffs kittens were born under Carol's bed upstairs. We finally had to put all the cats outside. They had many barns to roam in and lots of shelter and mice for them to eat. They were healthy and none of them got sick and that is how we came by 32 cats. One of the kids did step on a new nest of kittens by accident and killed a couple of little ones and our big yellow tom just dropped off the roof one day. We think that he must have come in contact with some live electric wires as there were some up there and he hadn't been sick at all. He may have bitten through one of the lines. We kept all of Puff's kittens until they became mothers and fathers. Carol found her a sack by the creek, out in the field and brought it home. In it was "Mittens" a really nice black kitten with white paws. She also had kittens as did Charcoal and Calicoe. Don't ever let your cat population grow like that. It was a real problem especially when it was time for us to move. We had to take some of them to the humane shelter and they make you feel like a criminal. We left about 8 there in the barns for the new people. A few had already run off and some of the kittens were easy to give away. Puff's first kittens were Smokey, Fluffy, Calicoe, Charcoal and Snoopy.

We started going to Hillsdale, Michigan, to Saturday auctions while we were living there. That is where we got Zip, our pony. One Saturday, Warren bought a black mantle clock for \$3.00 and brought it home and fixed it. We still have it and have acquired a few more. One came from Mike Harvey and another came from a customer who lived right outside of town, Mr. Kammerer. They just gave them to Warren. Then Warren's mom gave me a swan picture on wood that her mother made. I bought picture frames at Hillsdale and refinished them so we began having an interest in antiques.

So we searched the house and barn at Laotto. I brought in two milk stools and covered one and refinished another. We found crocks in the basement. Larry found a pretty glass bottle in the chicken house. It was really old; you could tell by the neck that it was made early in the glass making business in this country. Mike and Irene McKinley gave Warren an old cupboard that they had out on their porch that they were going to throw away and he brought it home to me. I refinished that and it was and is very nice. Then John and Sylvia Myers gave us an old cherry table that was in his shop and that they had used as a work table and sat paint cans and oily stuff on top. But it cleaned up beautifully and I sanded it and put a finish on it and it is a favorite of mine. Then I bought a wash stand or commode from Bertha Meyers for \$5.00. It had been their mothers. I did it with a waxed finish. We also bought a dining room table and chairs and buffet that we used all the time. This was not one we refinished, we just used it so we could all sit around the table at one time. We also bought a 10-ton piano from Betty Pepple and put it in the dining room. The fate of that piano is told in the story of our move to 14611 Auburn Road a couple of years later. I also found 2 oval frames in the attic. In case you are wondering, Beverly Lutter gave us permission to keep anything we found and could use. It was junk as far as she was concerned. To us it was junque! Then later my grandmother Klinker gave me a perforated paper picture that her mother had made for her when she was 11 years old, which would be about 1885.

While we were living there they started a new elementary school in the field right east of us. It was a muddy mess as Carol found out. One day she had been visiting a friend and was on her way home and tried to cross the field. She got stuck in the mud and sort of did the splits and couldn't get out. Finally a neighbor saw her and called for help. Carol remembers the fire department coming to help her by putting down a board and coming to her on it, but I really think that it was Dodie Hershberger that saw her and her husband was on the fire department and he came to rescue her. His name was Larry. Dodie was Peg Beltz's daughter. Anyway the mud had just sucked her in and she couldn't get out on her own. It sounds funny now but it surely wasn't.

For Christmas 1963 we had everyone out to our new home. We had a birthday cake for Carol so would guess they came out on Dec. 22. That Christmas we have pictures of John with an airplane (a radio controlled one, I think), Carol has a fluffy goose, Larry got a helmet, and a scroll or jig-saw. Looks like he got some kind of cannon too. I remember that it shot out some soft kind of balls of some sort. From the pictures I can't tell what Cathy got that year.

(While living there in 1964 we went again to Buck Lake Ranch for the Magnavox picnic. Rode on the ferris wheel. Also that summer we took a trip to Chicago to see the Yankees (the boy's favorite team) and the White Sox play. We stayed at the Holiday Inn.)

was this 1964? or 1962?.

Believe the ball game was 1962

On Thanksgiving 3 of the kids had the mumps. That was a miserable holiday. I'm sure one of them got it first and then as usual the other 3 came down with it all at one time.

I had a washer and dryer out on the back porch. It was closed in by windows and in the winter I would have to open the kitchen door to let some of the heat from the house onto the porch so it was warm enough to do the washing. The windows would steam over and the kitchen would get cold but it had to be done. The washer had to heat up a little to be used because the oil was cold. I can remember that it would agitate very slowly until it got warmed up.

During the summer of 1965 we purchased land on the Old Auburn Road from Standard Land Corporation. We paid \$5300 for 10 acres and Warren says \$500 down but it might have been \$1000. Anyway our payments came to \$45 a month until we had it paid off. We started our new house in the summer of that year. I can remember walking across the land to decide where the best spot was to put a house. We finally decided that about 300 feet off the road was just right. We were going to put it on the first rise in the field and have an open basement to the south. The phone bills in 1965 were \$6.50. Electricity was about \$10.00 and school supplies per child was \$9.42.

The boys and I spent alot of time during that summer driving to Wickes Lumber Company on highway 3 during the day and waiting and waiting to have our order taken and then waiting and waiting to have it loaded. Seemed that we spent several hours every time that we went just waiting. But guess that we had more time for that than Warren, so it was our job. We had plenty of time for a "coke" out of the machine.

We (mainly Warren and the boys) built the roof trusses in the barn at Laotto on the hay mow floor. Then we would have to transport them over to the building site. Not sure how we managed that unless we used a wagon from the farm. Warren gave up softball to spend more time on the house. We spent evenings and weekends building. Some of the costs are interesting to compare with today's prices.

4 square of roofing from Canfields	\$29.99
Crossbuck door, outside door	24.95

We put our roofing on late in the fall of 1965 and we were finishing it up in the moonlight with frost on the roof. It was chilly!

A window unit	17.50
The well, Croy Brothers	560.36 for all
Well was 78 feet deep	214.50
Pump	\$162.75
Zimmerman did the basement digging	444.27
on July 9, 1965	

Warren wanted to start building on his July 4 vacation but it didn't work out. We bought a 44 foot metal eyebeam (I beam) from the Auburn junk yard for \$76.30 for the center of the house. Paul Dice helped Warren drop it into place. It was very heavy, solid iron.

THE INTEROFFICE COMPANY

TO W. Fitch

DATE March 5, 1964

FROM George C. Beaver

SUBJECT

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We look forward to having you as our guest at the cocktail hour and dinner for our Service Training Specialists on Wednesday evening, March 18th, at 6:30 P.M., at the Orchard Ridge Country Club.

Please contact me at Ext. 274, indicating whether you will attend.


George

Monday, April 6, 1964 .. Warm and sunny today after last night's rains. High 69. Washed and ironed most of the day. Planted "garden state" tomatoes and 12 cabbage plants in garden dirt. Marilyn Fulk came and asked if I would like to join the Laotto Home Demonstration Club. It meets the first Tuesday eve of each month. Think I might when bowling season is over. Cathy came home with a stomach and headache about noon. After a long nap she seemed to be fine. Soft water day. Bought \$2.00 worth of gas for the old car. Had pork steak and creamed potatoes for supper. Warren bowled at Garrett tonight. Had about 490.

Tuesday, April 7, 1964 .. Rained again last night but sunny and windy part of the day. Supposed to get down to 32 tonight. Planted 10 beefsteak tomatoes in muck. Will see if they grow better than in the plain dirt. Met Miss Bilger from next door today. She came just as I was leaving for Garrett. Wanted to know if Warren might fix her radio. My can she talk! Bowled at Garrett this afternoon. Just practice. Had 149-233-188-206 (627 on the last 3). Seem to need one game to warm up. Bought the boys some socks. Worked in the yard after I got home. The wind was pretty chilly. Hot dogs for supper, our usual Tuesday night fare with Warren not coming home for supper. Warren bowled at Northcrest. Still having troubles.

Wednesday, April 8, 1964 .. Colder. Had snow flurries all day. Quite windy from the West. I ironed again part of the day. Did some sewing on comforter patches I had cut out years ago. Will be a twin size in flannelette squares. Also wool squares for an afghan. Carol's girl friend, Pam Stout, stayed all night. We had chicken for supper. Warren did not bowl tonight.

Thursday, April 9, 1964 .. Sunny and warmer but the wind was still quite chilly. Finished the flannelette quilt top and worked on some cotton quilt patches. Cubed pork and french fries for supper. Took the girls bowling with me tonight. Had a 211 in practice then I really goofed off in the league. Couldn't hit the broad side of a barn. Finally had 7 strikes in the last game but had 4 splits so only had a 169 game. Warren and I entered the Magnavox tourney and also the mixed doubles at Garrett. They are both a week from Saturday.

Friday, April 10, 1964 .. Sunny and warmer. A real nice day. Cleaned house today. Took the kids to town around 4:30. Went shopping at Northcrest. Also signed up for the spring league at Northcrest Lanes. Went to the folks. Dad took me over to Clyde Sprague's our tax man, to have our taxes figured. Warren worked overtime then came to the folks. Mom gave Cathy an embroidered picture of "The Good Shepherd" she made herself. Guess she has been working on it quite a while.

Saturday, April 11, 1964 .. Warren spaded a small garden patch this morning and I put in some radishes, lettuce and onions. Hope to get our big garden plowed soon. Cathy and Carol went to a 4-H craft meeting this morning. I went to Avilla. Bought seeds and got groceries for the week. Worked in the yard this afternoon.

Saturday, April 18, 1964 .. Still and warm this morning. Burned trash pile and Warren took things to the junk yard about 7:00. Took the kids to mom's while we bowled in the Magnavox tourney (mixed doubles). Warren did real well, I did horrible. He had a 560 and I bowled 454!! Then we tried it again at Garrett and I still did horrible, 458 and Warren had 527 so we didn't even place. Guess that should make me give up but I'm too dumb! Barb Groscup was there and had a 244 game.

Monday, April 20, 1964 .. Warren got his first 600 at Garrett tonight (a 611). The girls had 4-H. I baked cookies for them to take today. Did a lot of ironing.

Tuesday, April 21, 1964 .. Went with the 6th and 7th grade today on a field trip to Ft. Wayne. Phyllis Bianski went too. We went to Allen Dairy and WOWO radio station. Ate at McDonalds then to the Ft. Wayne Newspapers. It was very interesting. It rained but was quite warm today.

Wednesday, April 22, 1964 .. Washed and ironed some more. Found out that Irv Croy's had a new baby boy. Irv stopped by to talk to Warren about the Avilla softball team. Is undecided who to play with. Wanda Campbell broke her arm here after school. She tripped over the dog chain. She had just broken it a few weeks before. This was the last of the Wednesday night Magnavox bowling league. Warren had a 541. Ah yes, and I bowled at Garrett this afternoon, High 194, low 159.

Thursday, April 23, 1964 .. Nice today. Warm and sunny. Did a lot of mending. My tomato~~es~~ plants are growing nicely but the first cabbage did not come up. Planted more on Monday. Bowling night. Our team won 3 from Nicks but I did terrible, 154, 123, 158. Just too, too many splits. Warren and the kids played ball and worked on the pool table.

(Just a side note. This pool table gave us a lot of fun. First we had it in the east room of the Laotto house, which we called our rec room and then we had it in the basement of our new home on the Auburn Road. It finally ended up at Cathy's home on Union Chapel. And from there I'm not sure but may have gone to Johns on the Gump.) Anyway it was passed around quite a bit.

Friday, April 24, 1964 .. A nice spring day. Sunny but the air was cool. Things are really green^{ing} up. Cleaned house today. Also the tax assessor was here this morning. Washed slip covers and several loads of clothes.

Saturday, April 25, 1964 .. Got up early. Went to Avilla . Took Cathy. We all went into Ft. Wayne. Warren and the boys went to Magnavox ball practice. The girls and I went to Southgate shopping. Bought patterns and material for dresses for Cathy. Also gingham for smocked pillows. The girls are going to make them for 4-H. Bought material to cover one of my "antique" milk stools (found in the barn). Worked outside a while and then worked on the foot stool and finished it. It looks real cute.

Sunday, April 26, 1964 .. Warm and windy. Rained about 3:00. I worked on my smocked pillow cover. Also in the raspberry patch. Went to the Fitchs but they were not at home. Warren and the kids de-burred our pony, Zip. Rained all evening. John and Sylvia Myers were here about their TV.

Monday, April 27, 1964 .. Rained off and on all day. Washed and ironed. The repairman came and fixed our phone this afternoon. Warren bowled at Garrett tonight.

Tuesday, April 28, 1964 .. Partly cloudy. Rained tonight. Bowled at Garrett this afternoon, 170s and 180s. Bought the girls some slacks. They need them for the skating party tomorrow night.

Wednesday, April 29, 1964 .. Lutters were here to put up the awning. They said that we could have as much garden as we wanted. The girls went to the Laotto PTA skating party tonight. John and Sylvia Myers were here a while.

Thursday, April 30, 1964 .. Warren is taking today and Friday off. Nice to have him home. Mowed the yard this afternoon. Warren took the boys to the golf course after school. I took the girls to the bowling alley with me. We went early and they each bowled a game. In league I had a 506, 170, 160, 176. We won 3 points. Just one more week and then the roll-off. Cloudy and cool.

Friday, May 1, 1964 ..Warmer and sunny today. Warren and I went to Albion to pay the taxes and he had to take his driver's test, the written one. Then we played golf at Rome City. I had 70 on the first 9 and 63 on the last. Warren had 56 and 53. Had a very nice day.

Saturday, May 2, 1964 ..Had to go to Albion again to get the taxes straightened out. Riley Hostetter had paid ours with his. I paid him \$43.15 for the first half. Warren took the kids and went to Mike Harvey's to pick up the old tractor he bought. He is having a little bit of trouble getting it to run. Our second batch of lettuce is coming through. The first bunch didn't come. Did some more mowing. Nice and warm today.

Sunday, May 3, 1964 .. Still sunny and warm. Warren and the kids went to softball practice at Avilla. I took a load of junk to the junk yard and stopped at McKinley's to look at an old china cupboard she said I could have. It will need a lot of work but I'd like to try to refinish it.

Monday, May 4, 1964 .. In the 80s today. Washed and ironed all day. Warren had to go back to work. Still bowled at Garrett. The girls had a 4-H meeting at Hoots.

Tuesday, May 5, 1964 .. Primary election day. In the high 80s. Jim Lutter came and plowed our garden this morning and disced it tonight. I cleaned one back porch today. Also bowled at Garrett. Had my first 200 game in weeks. Had 158, 185, 179, 201, 181. (Too bad it was just practice) Warren is having his bowling banquet for his Magnavox team tonight. He won a nice trophy for high series and some money.

Wednesday, May 6, 1964 .. Warm and windy today. Went to Avilla and got more seeds this morning. The kids lost our hoe last night so I went to the Fitch's to borrow one. Warren's mom was just going out mushroom hunting. Planted garden this afternoon. Planted marigolds, balsam, bachelor's buttons, 4 oclocks, straw-flowers, zinnias, lettuce, radishes, carrots, peas, red beets, turnips, cabbage, onion sets, tomatoes and sweet corn.

Thursday, May 7, 1964 .. Still real warm but windy. The wind has broken off some of my tomato plants. Mowed the yard. Bowled tonight. Cathy went. We had 9 in the car. Six bowlers and 3 kids. Our last regular league night. Had a 510. We will play Harlan's in the roll-off next week.

Friday, May 8, 1964 .. Still very windy. Cloudy. Hope we get some rain. Our garden is really dry. Cleaned house today. Warren had 4 new tires put on the car tonight so he could pass the safety check. Storm warnings were out all evening until 2:00 a.m. We received wind but no rain. Warren brought home his folks old wall phone and a radio chassis. He is going to put them together and I will refinish it for the kitchen wall.

Saturday, May 9, 1964 .. Still very windy and much cooler. Went to Avilla to the bank and grocery. Cinda Rinkenberger came home to play with Carol. I went scrounging in the basement and found a "little brown jug". Also a 12 gallon kraut jar I don't quite know what to do with right now. Baked brownies and a rhubarb crisp. Warren worked most of the day on my old phone-radio.

Sunday, May 10, 1964 .. Still quite windy but sunny most of the day. The onions and radishes are up. Warren took Cathy, John and Larry and went to ball practice at Avilla this afternoon. Mom and dad came out. They gave me \$5.00 for my birthday. Mom said that Lois is being bothered by some kind of arthritis. They looked at the garden, kitties, pony, and the whole works. After ball practice we went to McKinley's to get my cabinet but they weren't home. Warren has my radio done. Now I must get it refinished, but the house cleaning and the garden come first.

Tuesday, May 12, 1964 .. Went to Northcrest Lanes to start spring league. Free bowling today to establish an average. I had a 481, 164, 149, 168. Then shopped at Northcrest. Bought John some pants and socks for the kids. Also maple stain for my furniture. Went to Eavey's and spent \$31.00. Went to moms. She gave me 2 dozen cabbage plants and some apple jelly. Planted the cabbage tonight and reset some tomato plants that the wind whipped to pieces. Warren went to Benny's. Rained tonight. That ought to make the garden grow. Oh yes, the turnips, lettuce, zinnias, strawflowers are up.

Wednesday, May 13, 1964 .. Our 14th anniversary. I forgot all about it until the middle of the morning. Damp and cool out today. The peas are popping through this morning. Didn't do anything special at all.

Thursday, May 14, 1964 .. Cool but sunny. Cleaned house today. Had our roll-off at Garrett. We (the bank) bowled Harlan's Hardware. We tied at 2-2 so we bowled a 4th game. I had 181, 174, 127 in our regular games. Then I had a 230 in the last game. We all bowled pretty well and beat them 100 pins. Warren brought home part of my cabinet from McKinley's tonight.

Friday, May 15, 1964 .. In the 70s today and sunny. Warren took another day of his vacation today. We went to Rome City and played golf most of the day. We got a little sunburned but not bad. Warren had 48 and 50. I had 69 and 59. Picked up the other piece of cupboard this evening. Really tired and stiff tonight.

Saturday, May 16, 1964 .. Went to Fort Wayne this morning. Bought shoes for the boys. Warren bought the kids a badminton outfit. Rained this morning but was sunny part of the day. The garden is really popping.

TRIP NORTH TO MICHIGAN August 1964

If this trip was indeed made in 1964 it would have been while we were living at Laotto. My notes in the photo book say August 1964.

On this trip we went to the Fort at Michilimackinac and spent quite a bit of time there. The boys got put in stocks. We did not take the trip over to Mackinac Island. As I remember it we had a motel room somewhere there and it was not the classiest thing we ever stayed in!

After that we went over to the Upper Peninsula of Michigan to Sault Ste. Marie and the Soo Locks. I would guess that we crossed to Canada for a short period of time though I can't be sure. What I know we did was to come back beside the lake on the opposite side and we stayed at a really nice motel called Deer Forest Motel close to Gladstone, Michigan. Then we left Michigan and started on down through Wisconsin. We stopped in Greenbay, Wisconsin, and looked up the Greenbay Packers who were having football practice that day. That was interesting to the men of the family anyway.

I guess that 1964 was correct because I found one piece of information in the picture book that was dated 1964. I would suppose that after we left Greenbay we headed right for home.



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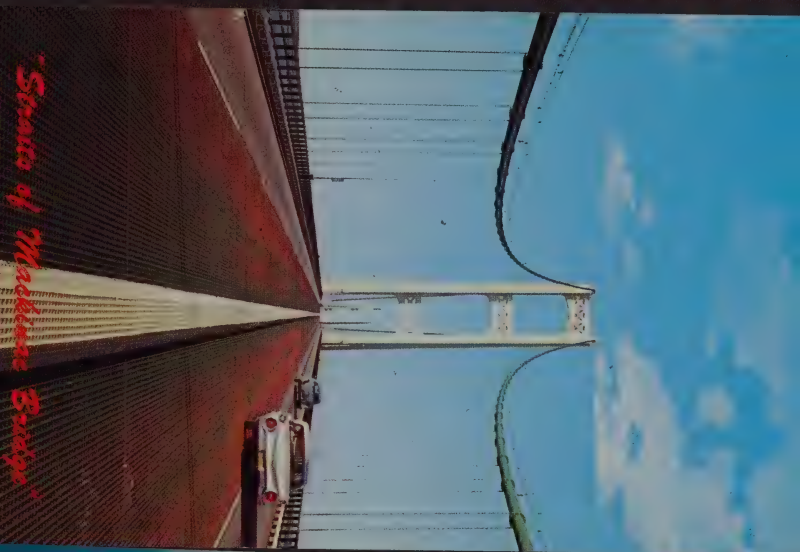
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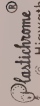


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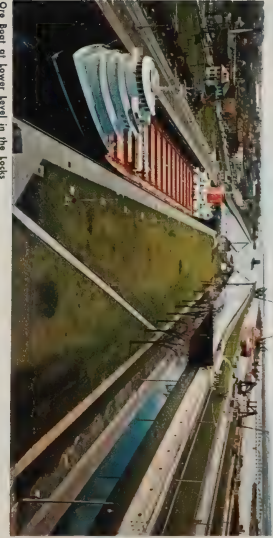
From observation tower one realizes the huge size of boats



Looking north across the Soo Locks — that's Canada in distance



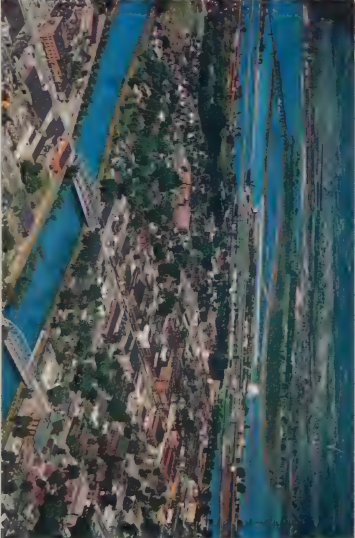
Ore boat downbound from Locks — note close clearance



Ore Boat at Lower Level in the Locks



Tourists Watch Freighter leaving the Locks



Aerial view of Sault Ste Marie, Michigan and the Locks



The growth of the system at the Sault Ste. Marie dates back to the days of the early French and English fur traders in the late 18th Century. The North West Fur Company built the first lock in 1792. Forty feet in length and 8 feet 9 inches in width, it was built for the Canoes and bateaux of the fur traders. It was small enough to become "lost" for many years, until examination of documents and excavation revealed traces of the lock which was restored and at present may be seen near the Canadian Lock. (May be seen from sightseeing boat.)

A 23-year-old itinerant scales salesman, Charles T. Harvey, saw the immense possibilities of a ship canal here and he raised money in New England to form the St. Mary's Falls Ship Canal Company. He himself turned the first spadeful in June, 1853, for the lock which was completed in 1855. Known as the State Canal, it was operated by the State of Michigan until its transfer to the Federal government in 1881.

The growth of the system at the Sault Ste. Marie paralleled the growth of the American economy, particularly the steel industry. The discovery of immense deposits of iron ore in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, Northern Wisconsin and the Mesabi and Vermilion ranges of Minnesota created a demand for transportation facilities for this ore to the steel mills in the Central United States.

The old Wellzel Lock was completed in 1881. Construction of the Poe (second) Lock was started in 1887 and opened to traffic in 1889. Construction of the Davis (third) and Sabin (fourth) Locks was started in 1907 and 1913 respectively. The Davis was opened in 1914 and the Sabin in 1919. This was the final construction until the war year of 1942, when work on the MacArthur Lock was commenced. It was opened to traffic in 1943. It was built on the site of the old Wellzel Lock, which became too small as the size of the long ships increased.

During the past five years, approximately 20,000 vessels have transited the locks each season. The annual movement of freight has been in excess of 111,000,000 net tons and about 85 percent of this is iron ore for the nation's steel plants.



Aerial view of Soo Locks — looking toward Lake Superior



Government Park alongside the Locks — Visitors Observation Tower



Cruise boats take visitors through the Locks.



The Canadian Soo Lock



Freighter Downbound from the MacArthur Lock



Birds Eye View of the Locks

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Sault Ste Marie, Michigan



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9-26	Jim Lutter	55.00
9-24	Hires Auto Parts	11.16
10-5	Soft Water	5.00
10-5	Noble County REMC	10.40
10-6	Montgomery Ward	18.90
10-9	Dr. Sneary, John	4.00
10-12	Dr. Sneary,	2.00
10-19	Telephone	6.08
11-2	Gas, Harlans	6.12
11-19	Laotto Top Thirty	13.00
11-28	Avilla Lumber	9.92
11-30	Bechtolds, Soft Water	5.00
12-9	Laotto Elevator, coal	42.66
12-24	Weimer, Car Insurance	49.55

1965

1-2	Lutter, rent	55.00
1-7	McCalls Magazine subscription	2.88
1-15	School rental	4.00
1-15	School rental	4.00
1-15	School rental	4.00
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1-16	Laotto Elevator, coal	38.22
2-18	O-P Crafts	3.10
1-29	Avilla Feed Mill	23.41
2-29	Dr. Sneary	3.00
3-1	Lutter, rent	55.00
3-1	Laotto Elevator	38.32
3-12	Price's Dairy	13.18
3-25	Interstate Studio, school pictures	11.00
3-27	Avilla Feed Mills	19.62
3-27	Fishers grocery, Avilla	2.70
4-6	Dr. Greenlee	3.00
4-8	REMC	12.39
4-10	Harlans, gas	12.24
4-10	Pembleton's	56.59
4-10	Clyde Sprague, taxes	7.50
4-14	Federal Taxes	86.88
4-22	Magnavox, TV	178.50
4-26	Magnavox, chassis	25.50
5-1	Personal taxes	17.19
5-1	Avilla Feed Mill	18.91
5-1	Fishers Market	16.52
6-1	Land Deposit	1000.00
6-1	John Meyers	35.00
6-1	Lutters, rent	55.00
6-1	Dr. Bergendoh1, Larry	12.00
6-1	Medical Center Pharmacy	2.35
6-10	Magnavox, tuner	30.65
6-10	Dr. Bergendoh1	5.00
6-10	Lynn Lake, sink	10.00
6-24	Prices Dairy	16.46
6-29	Wickes	65.82
6-29	Wickes	32.41
6-30	Carol, camp fee	11.00
6-30	O-P Crafts	8.01
7-2	Wickes	41.36
7-3	Wickes	52.81
7-1	Lutters, rent	55.00
7-7	Whitley Co. REMC	17.50
7-7	Wickes	71.23
7-7	Wickes	56.40
7-9	Sutherland Lumber	38.79
7-8	Zimmerman Excavation	444.27
7-10	Avilla Lumber, cement	8.43
7-10	Harlans, shovel	6.12
7-12	Dr. Sneary, John shot	3.00
7-10	Trencher, rent	20.40

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7-15	Huntertown Lumber	52.10
7-16	Morsches Lumber	37.13
7-16	Wickes	2.50
7-16	Huntertown Lumber, pick	5.71
7-17	Wiemer, Liability insurance	16.00
7-13	Balsers Rent-all	12.24
7-22	Midwest Aggragates	38.94
7-23	Wickes	16.32
7-26	Wickes	861.25
7-28	Standard Land, payment	45.00
7-30	Auburn Junk Yard, I-beam	76.30
8-5	Dr. Sneary, Carol	2.00
8-11	Dr. Greenlee	4.00
8-11	DeLucenay's Drugs	5.55
8-11	Wilson, cement blocks	613.66
8-18	Wickes	407.90
8-31	Wickes	14.30
8-31	Wickes	36.90
9-1	Zimmerman Welding	18.00
9-1	Whitley REMC	1.63
9-1	Noble REMC	10.10
9-9	School, Cathy	9.27
9-9	School, Carol	9.93
9-9	School, John	10.24
9-9	School, Larry	9.42
9-10	Wickes Lumber	44.76
9-	Sears, Warren glasses	23.46
9-11	Fordeck, Septic tank	290.00
9-	Sears, Warren check-up	6.00
9-	John Myers, auto repair	9.00
9-23	Bill Fordeck	215.00
9-23	John Myers	38.35
9-24	Midwest Gravel	31.29
9-24	Avilla Feed Mill	11.39
9-29	Wickes	32.03
9-29	Canfields, roofing	7.50
9-30	Canfields, roofing	29.99
9-30	Canfields, roofing	29.99
10-1	Canfields, roofing	29.99
10-1	Canfields, roofing	29.99
10-3	school lunch	1.25
10-16	Roethle Lumber, lock set	15.12

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August 7, 1965	Guy Brown	35.00
Aug. 31	Zimmerman Welding, Inc.	18.00
Aug. 23	Wickes	43.87
Aug. 4	Midwest Aggregates	19.83
Aug. 31	Wickes	36.90
Aug. 31	Wickes	14.59
Sept. 3	Huntertown Grain and Lumber	1.47
Sept. 3	Huntertown Grain and Lumber	26.93
Sept. 1	Auburn Junk and Paper	8.00
Sept. 1	Whitley Co. REMC	1.63
Sept. 4	Wickes	16.89
Sept. 7	Harlan's Hardware	6.12
Sept. 11	W.A. Fordeck	290.00
Sept. 10	Wickes	44.76
Sept. 13	Wickes	19.85
Sept. 9	Huntertown School	9.93
Sept. 9	Huntertown	10.24
Sept. 9	Huntertown	9.42
Sept. 13	Bechtold's Softwater Service	5.00
Sept. 17	Wickes	2.14
Sept. 23	Wickes	49.95
Sept. 27	Avilla Feed Mill	22.39
Sept. 25	William Fordeck	215.00
Sept. 28	Wickes	32.03
Sept. 28	Canfield Lumber	7.50
Sept. 24	Midwest Aggregates	31.29
Sept. 29	Canfield Lumber	29.99
Sept. 30	Canfield, roofing	29.99
Oct. 1	Mrs. Jim Lutter, rent	55.00
Oct. 4	Bechtold's Soft Water	5.00
Oct. 2	Huntertown Grain and Lumber	8.93
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Oct. 8	Huntertown Grain	4.49
Oct. 9	Huntertown Grain	8.52
Oct. 11	Huntertown Grain	5.51
Oct. 9	Sutherland Lumber	19.94
Oct. 15	Wickes	32.13
Oct. 15	Keystone Concrete Inc.	59.67
Oct. 22	Wickes Lumber Co.	16.53
Oct. 22	Roethle Building Materials	15.12
Oct. 23	United Telephone of Indiana	6.51
Oct. 22	Ream Steckbeck Paints	14.69
Oct. 26	Canfield Lumber	7.24
Dec. 23	Midwest Aggregates	49.27

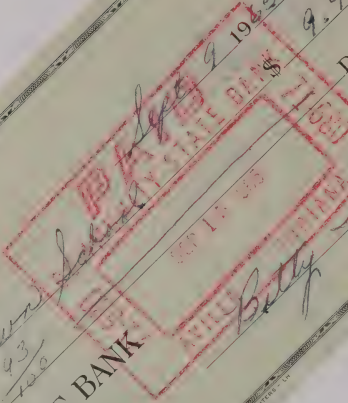
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I am writing this to add to our story of Laotto, Indiana, from the checks we wrote at that time. This was after September 1964.

We had a gas stove, my trusty old Tappan, and we used bottled gas that we would get from Harlan's Hardware Store in Laotto. Looks like a tank of gas would cost us around \$6. When one tank became empty we would replace the empty one and go on with the full one. So we would never run out of gas, if we watched it!!

We also had Bechtolds bring us tanks for soft water and it would cost \$5 per tank and they usually came once a month.

We also supplimented our wood supply with coal which on Dec. 9, 1964, we purchased from Laotto Elevator. The wood was fine when it was not too cold but it would take many trips down the stairs to keep feeding it in the furnace, so the coal would last a lot longer between "feedings" and would last overnight.

1965

We were still paying Lutters \$55 in rent, I loved my magazines even then and paid only \$2.88 for a years subscription to McCalls! The good old days!! In January, the rental for school supplies was \$4 for each of the kids. They would still have been going to Laotto School at that time and had to walk to school unless it was bad and then I would take them in the car.

I had sent off to O-P Crafts for some wooden things to paint, like candlesticks, bookends, and boxes and pencil holders, etc.

What we paid the doctor's in those days was unbelievable!! Like \$3 and \$4 for an office call and \$2 for a shot!! The kids were well most of the time but occasionally did need attention. One of the things that did show up while we lived in Laotto was that John was prone to Asthma or at least allergic to some things. Like animal fur, although we did not notice that our cats bothered him much. Mostly we discovered that it was hay and grain dust like when they harvested the grain and blew it into the bins in the barn. Only once did he have it quite bad and they had been playing near the combine when it was putting the grain in the barn. They may also have been playing in the grain after it was in the barn. Anyway, he had quite a reaction to that.

Quite often we bought our groceries still at Fisher's in Avilla. We did our banking there and they had the best meat so usually stopped there. We also may have purchased some of our coal from the Avilla Feed Mill.

On June 1, 1965, we made a deposit on 10 acres of land on the Old Auburn Road where we were going to build a house. We put down \$1,000 according to the check book. It would be 6 months before we could move in, actually 7 months almost.

PRICES, Dairy brought us our milk and we did use quite a lot of it. Larry was the big milk drinker and Warren was also. I remember that one of our dogs we had there actually hated the milkman.

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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Doug Price usually delivered the milk and we would have to tie the dog up or hang on to him because he would bark and snarl at Doug. Sparky, also did not like him for some reason. Think it was probably the truck he did not like, not Doug.

One of the first things we bought for the house was a used sink from an old schoolmate of Warren's, Lynn Lake and we used that sink in the basement cupboard where we had our first kitchen. This was for our new house of course that we were building.

I would say that in June or early July of 1965 Carol went to Camp. At least, we paid \$11 for her to go.

We began buying for the building of the new house. In early July, Zimmerman did the digging of the basement. We bought lumber from Wickes, Sutherlands, Huntertown, Morsches. Warren rented a trencher probably to put in some drains around the house or to make a base for the cement blocks that were to be put up. He also had bought a new shovel from Harlans. Would guess the trencher was easier! Wilson put up the cement blocks to the tune of over \$600. Then we had them deliver a big load of lumber from Wickes and we were on our way.

In September we put the kids in Huntertown school and the book fees there were about \$10 each. I would have to take them to school or Warren would on his way to Magnavox and then I would pick them up after school.

Warren got new glasses in September for \$23. I can remember going to Canfields to decide on what roofing we wanted and bringing back \$7.50 worth to see if that was what we really wanted. Then I would buy a square at a time and we would get it on and (I guess it was a bundle well, do 4 bundles make a square?? Or does 4 square make a bundle??) Well, anyway it would cost me \$30 for each one. And we carried it all in the station wagon that carried most of the house! *Actually, Warren says 3 bundles make a square.*

School lunches for the week were \$1.25. Bill Fordeck put in the septic tank and drains. Paul Dice helped Warren drop the I-beam in place one day when we didn't know how we could move it. I was no help with that.

DAVIS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
914 ANTHONY WAY. BUILDING
FORT WAYNE, INDIANA 46802

AREA CODE 219
TELEPHONE 743-3305

June 21, 1965

Mr. Ward Fitch
P. O. Box 87
LaOtto, Indiana

Re: Lot No. 50 on the Plat of Tulleevin Lake,
according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat
Book 25, pages 33 and 34, in the office of the
Recorder of Allen County, Indiana

Dear Mr. Fitch:

We have carefully examined an abstract of title to the above
described real estate as certified to June 7, 1965, at 5:00 P. M., by
Kuhne & Company, Inc., and on said date we find title to be held by

STANDARD LAND CORPORATION OF INDIANA

as shown at Items 67 and 70, subject, however, to the following:

1. At Item 18 of the abstract under date of September 12,
1936, appears a conveyance which was subsequently corrected at Items 39,
40, 41 and 42 for purposes of rectifying the description. However, said
deed of conveyance at Item 18 provides in part as follows:

"The Grantees herein to have the right to build
and maintain a sewer and cellar drain from said
parcel of real estate hereby conveyed upon the land
of the grantors herein adjoining on the West side of
said parcel of land."

In view of the fact that the adjoining land was subdivided,
it might be well to show that the drainage rights in no way interfere with
said Lot No. 50 described in the caption of this opinion.

2. The plat for the captioned real estate appears at Item
43, which also includes various restrictions, limitations and easements.
It would appear that said Lot 50 has a width of 100 feet, a length on the
north side thereof of 228.1 feet and a length on the south side of 228.3 feet.
We would suggest that a survey be furnished to you so that the survey may
be checked against the plat.

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We would further suggest that you read the restrictions, limitations and easements as approvals are required with reference to the erection of any improvements on said real estate and you should also be familiar with a 20 foot easement across the rear of said premises and further be cognizant of the fact that there is a 45 foot building line.

3. At Item 44 appears an easement to Indiana Bell Telephone Company which was assigned at Item 45 to the Home Telephone and Telegraph Company. There should be a showing that this easement does not interfere with said Lot No. 50.

4. At Items No. 46 and 47 appear easements to the Whitley County Rural Electric Membership Corporation and a showing should be made that the easement rights do not interfere with said Lot No. 50.

5. The certificates of Kuhne & Company dated August 5, 1959, at 5:00 p.m., and June 7, 1965, at 5:00 p.m., are not receipted.

6. At Item 72 of the abstract, the abstracter makes reference to Allen County Indiana Zoning Ordinance No. 8, 1960, effective March 15, 1960, and amendments thereto.

7. Taxes are in the name of Standard Land Corp. whose correct name is Standard Land Corporation of Indiana. The second installment of taxes for 1964, due and payable in 1965, in the amount of \$3.93 is not shown paid. Taxes for 1965, due and payable in 1966, are a lien although not yet computed. For purposes of taxation, lot number 50 is valued at \$170.00. See Item 73.

8. At Item 75, the abstracter points out that "no search has been made for liens filed in the Office of the Recorder pursuant to the Uniform Commercial Code." In the event that there are any improvements on this land, a satisfactory showing should be made with reference to the absence of liens.

9. At Item 76 appears an affidavit of Delphis Martin wherein he makes reference to a deed of conveyance to William D. Martin dated September 12, 1936. The deed is erroneously referred to in said affidavit as being recorded in Deed Record 532, Page 358. As a matter of fact, said deed is recorded in Deed Record 352, page 355. If we are correct in this statement, it would be appropriate to correct this affidavit so that no future examiner would raise a similar question.

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10. We call attention to the fact that at Item 71 of the abstract it is disclosed that Sam W. Fletcher, as President, and Edward J. Moppert, Jr., as Secretary, are authorized to convey in behalf of Standard Land Corporation of Indiana.


We understand that you are purchasing this land on contract from the titleholder and we would appreciate being furnished with a copy of the proposed contract so that we may give you our opinion with reference thereto.

11. The following items are excepted from this opinion:

- (a) Rights or claims of parties in possession;
- (B) Mechanic's lien claims, if any, where no notice thereof appears of record;
- (c) Special assessments and special taxes, if any;
- (d) Unpaid utility bills;
- (e) Unrecorded easements for roads, highways and public utilities;
- (f) Federal estate taxes; and,
- (g) Federal income tax liens, if any, not made a matter of record in Allen County, Indiana, or at the office of the Clerk of the United States District Court, Fort Wayne Division.

A carbon copy of this opinion is being directed to Mr. Martin Bridges, real estate broker representing the seller in this transaction, and also a carbon copy to Mr. Edward J. Moppert, Jr., attorney for the titleholder, for such action as is consistent and appropriate with the matters contained in this opinion.

Respectfully submitted,


David Peters

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AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE REAL ESTATE

DATE: May 24, 1965

TO: BRIDGES REAL ESTATE as agent for

OWNERS

I hereby agree to purchase from you for the sum of \$ 5,300.00, the real estate in Allen county, Indiana, commonly known as the Martin farm

the legal description of which is: a part of the NW 1/4 of SEC 23-Twp. 32 N., Range 12 East; the N 1/2 of Lot 51 Lots #40 and 49 and the S 1/2 of Lot #48 in Tullaevin Lake Add. This all part of Lot #4 in New Plat. Also the West 1 acre of lot #5 in said New Plat containing 10 acres of land. Complete legal description to be given by survey to be furnished by seller.

I will pay said sum of \$ 5,300.00, for said property upon the following terms: a down payment of one thousand dollars, a monthly payment of \$45.00 or more together with interest at 5-1/2% to be computed semi-annually. Said payment to include both principal and interest.

Purchasers desire to start building soon. Survey will need to be made quickly. Also drainage for septic affluent to be installed in front or west of improvement by purchaser. It is necessary that said land provide a south view hill side home site as shown by stake on said land.

This Agreement to Purchase is made subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. I shall assume and pay the taxes upon said real estate due and payable the first Monday in (May) (November), 1966, and all subsequent taxes, and I shall assume and pay any assessments upon said real estate for improvements which may become a lien after the date of this Agreement to Purchase.

2. You will furnish a proper, up to date, Certificate of Survey of said real estate showing the dimensions thereof and the location of all improvements located thereon, as of the date hereof.

3. Prior to the execution of the (Warranty Deed) (Land Contract) you will furnish, at your expense, a properly prepared abstract of title for said real estate, continued to a date after the date of this Agreement to Purchase, disclosing a marketable title in you. I will have said abstract examined by my attorney and will submit a legal opinion thereon without unreasonable delay. You will have a reasonable time to meet such requirements, if any, as may be necessary to render marketable the title to said real estate according to the Standards of Marketability of Abstracts of Title as adopted by The Allen County Indiana Bar Association.

4. This transaction shall be closed as soon as your title to said real estate meets necessary legal requirements and I obtain the necessary financing, if any, as hereinabove provided. At said closing, you shall deliver to me a properly executed (Warranty Deed) (Land Contract) as hereinabove provided, (conveying) (contracting to convey) to me said real estate and all improvements thereon in the same condition they now are, usual wear and tear excepted. In this respect, you shall assume the risk of loss or damage to said real estate and all improvements thereon until the date of the delivery to me of said (Warranty Deed) (Land Contract). In the event said real estate and all improvements thereon cannot be (conveyed) (contracted to be conveyed) to me in substantially their present condition, usual wear and tear excepted, this agreement, at my election, shall not be binding upon me, and my earnest money deposited hereunder shall be returned to me without delay.

5. Possession of said real estate shall be delivered to me on or before upon closing by contract. Rents, if any, shall be pro-rated as of the date of closing. Insurance shall be (pro-rated) (cancelled) as of the date of closing. You will pay all charges for utility services furnished said premises until the date possession is surrendered to me.

6. This Agreement to Purchase includes all improvements and permanent fixtures used in connection with said real estate including but not necessarily limited to the following: All electrical, gas, heating and plumbing fixtures, all screens, screen doors, storm windows, shades, venetian blinds,

drapery hardware, awnings, attached carpeting, linoleum, radio or television antennae, trees, shrubs, flowers, and fences, if any, now in or on the property, and the same shall be fully paid for and free of all liens and encumbrances at the time I accept title to said real estate, unless otherwise specified and agreed to by me.

7. I hereby represent that I intend to use said real estate for residential & agricultural purposes, and this Agreement to Purchase is contingent upon such use being presently permitted. ~~purposes~~

8. I have personally inspected and examined the above property and make this Agreement to Purchase in good faith and all the terms and conditions are stated herein, there being no verbal agreements. If this Agreement to Purchase is accepted by you, it shall be an agreement binding and inuring to the benefit of both you and me, our heirs and personal representatives.

9. I hereby deposit with your Agent, One Thousand Dollars, the sum of \$ 1,000.00, to be used as earnest money in this transaction, and upon your written acceptance of this Agreement to Purchase, I will deposit with your said agent additional earnest money in the sum of \$ _____, all of which earnest money is to apply to the cash payment provided for at the time of the closing of this transaction. If this Agreement to Purchase is not accepted in writing by you on or before the _____ day of _____, 19____, then the same shall be null, void and of no force and effect, and any earnest money deposited hereunder will be returned to me without delay. If this Agreement to Purchase is accepted by you and I fail to complete this purchase as agreed, my earnest money shall be forfeited to you as liquidated damages which shall be your sole remedy at law or in equity.

Buyer: Walter Fitch
Address: Box 87 La Otto, Ind
Phone: AVILLA 897-5427

Buyer: Betty Fitch
Address: _____
Phone: _____

I, Martin Bridges, Agent for the owners of the property herein described, hereby acknowledge receipt of earnest money deposit in the sum of \$ 1,000.00, made by the above Offeror, to be held by me in escrow according to the terms of the above Agreement to Purchase.

Dated this 24th day of May, 1965

Martin Bridges

The undersigned, Owners of the property described in the above Agreement to Purchase, hereby accept said Offer and agree to abide by the terms and conditions thereof

and also agree to pay our said agent a commission of \$ _____, which sum shall be deducted from the first payment made to us. We also authorize our said agent to hold all money deposits in escrow until the final closing of this transaction.

Dated this 5th day of June, 1965

Seller: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____

Seller: Paul A. Albritton
Address: _____
Phone: _____

I, _____, Agent for the owners of the property herein described, hereby acknowledge receipt of earnest money deposit in the sum of \$ _____, made by the above Offeror, to be held by me in escrow according to the terms of the above Agreement to Purchase.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 19____.

DAVID PETERS
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW
914 ANTHONY WAYNE BANK BUILDING
FORT WAYNE, INDIANA 46802

AREA CODE 219
TELEPHONE 743-3305

August 2, 1965

Mr. Warren Fitch
P. O. Box 87
LaOtto, Indiana

RE: (A) The Southerly 50.0 feet of Lot #48, all of Lots #49 and 50 and the Northerly 50.0 feet of Lot #51 on the plat of TULLEEVIN LAKE, a Subdivision of part of the South half of the Southwest quarter of Section 14, and part of the Northwest quarter of Section 23, Township 32 North, Range 12 East in Allen County, Indiana, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 25, pages 33 and 34 in the office of the Recorder of Allen County, Indiana.

(B) 8.43 acres in the Northwest 1/4 of Section 23; Township 32 North; Range 12 East, Allen County, Indiana, more particularly described as follows:
Commencing at a point on the Westerly line of Lot #45 in TULLEEVIN LAKE ADDITION as recorded in Plat Book 25, pages 33 and 34 in the office of the Recorder of Allen County, Indiana, and 50.0 feet Southwesterly of the Northwest corner of said Lot #45; thence Northwesterly 995.5 feet on line with a point situated on the West line of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 23 and 1650.0 feet North of the intersection of the West line of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 23 and the Southerly line of Lot #59, extended West, in Tulleevin Lake Addition, as recorded in Plat Book 25, pages 33 and 34 in the office of the Recorder of Allen County, Indiana, to the point of beginning, for the 8.43 acres of land herein described; thence continuing Northwesterly along the aforesaid line 190.5 feet to the West line of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 23; thence South along the West line of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 23, a distance of 600.0 feet; thence Southeasterly 988.0 feet to a point on the Westerly line of Lot #51 in said Tulleevin Lake Addition and 50.0 feet Southwesterly of the Northwest corner of said Lot #51; thence Northeasterly 300.0 feet to a point 50.0 feet Southwesterly of the Northwest corner of Lot #48 in said Tulleevin Lake

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Addition and on the Westerly line of said Lot #48; thence Northwesterly 896.5 feet on line with a point situated on the West line of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 23 and 1350.0 feet North of the intersection of the West line of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 23 and the Southerly line of Lot 59 in Tulleevin Lake Addition extended Westward; thence North to the point of beginning.

Dear Mr. Fitch:

This opinion is supplemental to our opinion dated June 21, 1965, which covers an abstract of title as amended to the real estate described in the caption of this opinion. We hereby make reference to our opinion of June 21, 1965, and the same is incorporated herein by reference. The continuation of the abstract of title as amended is certified to June 30, 1965, at 5:00 p.m., by Kuhne & Company, Inc. From an examination of said abstract as amended we find title to be held by

STANDARD LAND CORPORATION OF INDIANA,

as shown at Items 67, 70 and 81, subject, however, to the following:

(1) A portion of the real estate appears to be subject to a mortgage to the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company, which mortgage is recorded in Mortgage Record 753, page 103-110, in the Recorder's Office of Allen County, Indiana, as shown at Item 82. We have not had the benefit of a survey of all of the land covered by said mortgage, and we do not deem such a survey to be necessary. However, based upon the information available to us, it appears that the land you are purchasing and which is described in the caption of this opinion, is subject to the aforesaid mortgage. Necessary arrangements should be made to release the land described in this opinion.

(2) Taxes appear in the name of Standard Land Corp., and are shown at Items 83, 84, 85 and 86. In each instance, the second installment of taxes for 1964, due and payable in the Fall of 1965, are not shown paid. Taxes for 1965, due and payable in 1966, are a lien, although not yet computed. Reference is made to the contract furnished to us, and by the terms thereof, it will be your

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obligation to commence payment of taxes with the installment due and payable in November of 1966. Since the land you are purchasing will not appear on the tax duplicates in your name at that time, necessary adjustments will be made between yourself and the sellers in November of 1966.

(3) At Item 88, the abstracter points out that "no search has been made for liens filed in the Office of the Recorder pursuant to the Uniform Commercial Code." You should satisfy yourself that said land is not in any way subject to a lien for fixtures or for crops, and I am sure that Mr. Moppert, as an officer of the selling corporation, can give such assurances.

(4) At Item 89 of the abstract, the abstracter makes reference to Allen County, Indiana, Zoning Ordinance Number 8, 1960, effective March 15, 1960, and amendments thereto.

(5) The final certificate dated June 30, 1965, at 5:00 p.m., is not paid.

(6) We incorporate herein by reference the following items from our opinion of June 21, 1965: Items 1, 2, 4, and 9. It is my recollection with reference to Item 1 of said opinion, that Mr. Moppert was to furnish an appropriate affidavit showing that the drainage rights discussed therein do not affect the captioned real estate.

(7) We are holding in your file a contract with Standard Land Corporation of Indiana dated June 30, 1965, which has not been executed by Sam W. Fletcher, as President of said corporation. We will be glad to make such an exchange with Mr. Moppert at such time as a completely executed contract can be furnished to us in your behalf, including the notarization thereof.

(8) A carbon copy of this opinion is being directed to Mr. Edward J. Moppert, attorney for the selling corporation, and also to Mr. Martin Bridges, real estate broker representing the seller in this transaction.

(9) I am leaving for vacation on August 7, 1965, and I would be more than pleased to give my final approval to the

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requirements requested herein prior to my leaving.

Respectfully submitted,



David Peters

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 EDWIN ENGLERT
 EARL HARSCHANGER
 ROBERT HEITZ
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 MARIS PFLIGMER ALIN
 CAROL GORDON V.

1997 UNDERGRADUATES
DOUGLAS CARTWRIGHT *
LAWRENCE CROY *
ROBERT CROY *
MARY GRAY BRECK *
MARY LEITER PEDUTO *
ERNEST RHODES *
JUDY BRECK BRADO *
MARGIE TAYLOR KRONSTELER *
MURPHY WMAN DONANGE *
* - 1997 GRADUATE

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September 5, 1997

After looking at the photos I took of the memorial stone that is at the site of the old LaOtto School and reading the names of the people that graduated from there it brought back a lot of memories of people that had crossed our paths at one time or another. So the following is a short run-down of some of those and how we knew them. Remember that Warren had a TV sales and service store in Avilla and many were his customers and also that we lived in LaOtto for about 2 years and met others in various activities.

Melvin Yarian was a customer of ours. Grad. 1902 Born about 1884

Carl Simon was also a customer. Grad. 1903, born about 1885

The Holbrook name is also quite familiar. However, we didn't know those listed. They were some of the first settlers in the county and lived on what is now Road 68. The new highway 3 is on their farm I believe. At least it is at the edge of it. Timothy goes to school with a Holbrook boy. I have written about some of the Holbrooks in other accounts.

Dee Baker Preston was probably the mother of Harvey Preston. Dee graduated in 1906 and was born about 1888. The Prestons had a house on old Highway 3 and they also owned the old Tavern that had been part of the Underground Railroad on the Old Lima Road or old Highway 3. It would have been called the Lima Plank Road in the very oldest days. They were customers of Warren's.

Floyd Gause, Grad. 1906, born about 1888, was the head of the LaOtto State Bank. I am not sure when the bank came into existence.

Frank Weller, Grad. 1906, born about 1888, was a customer.

Gladys Holbrook Fair, Grad. 1909, born about 1891. Though we did not know this lady, it is interesting that she has the names of two of the oldest settlers in the county and township, Holbrook and Fair. So she was Gladys Holbrook and married a Fair.

Ralph Preston, Grad. 1911, born about 1893. This might be the father of Harvey Preston. However, if Dee was his mother, she was about 5 years older. This could be false though because of the fact that we do not know for sure how old they may have been when they graduated. We assume about 18, but probably in those days it was not always so. So guess we cannot be sure to his mother and father for sure, but they would be in the right age bracket and living about the right area.

Albert Coil, Grad. 1912, born about 1894. Albert was a customer of Warren's and he had two sons. One named Keith and the other Bruce. I remember that one of the boys was tall and quite blond I believe.

Georgianna Harrod Newhart, Grad. 1912, born about 1984. Did not know this person, but it is interesting that we knew Roger Harrod and he named his daughter Georgia or Georgi. Wonder if her full name was Georgianna Harrod. This might have been an aunt or most likely great aunt, though would guess that Roger is about our age. Perhaps a little younger. His wife has taught at Huntertown for quite a few years. Her name was Virginia and we called her Ginny.

Jesse Warner Harrod, Grad. 1915, born about 1897. Warren says that Ovid Harrod's wife was named Jesse or Jessie and would look like by the name that her maiden name was Warner. I don't find Ovid in this list of names. Whether he didn't graduate or perhaps he had another name. There is a James Harrod in the list of graduates for this same year. Ovid and Jesse lived in a brick house on old Highway 3 and were good customers of Warren's. I would sometimes go with him to their house and take the kids too. Not for service calls, but just to visit. She had a lot of interesting old furniture and stuff and I can remember her showing me things in her kitchen, but now can't remember what they were! They were a very nice couple and would have been in their 50's at the time. They seemed old, but now that doesn't seem at all old!!

Guthrie is another name that is familiar. George Beaver's oldest daughter married a Guthrie from Laotto.

Hazel Graber Crothers, Grad. 1917, born about 1899. Their son was named Clifford and they were customers of Warren's. They lived right behind our house in Avilla and across the alley. They were some relation to the Clarks whose son became a dentist and has an office in Fort Wayne at Georgetown. I remember Clifford's wife but do not remember her name at this time.

Lenora Simon Bleke, Grad. 1918, born about 1900. A customer of Warren's. She is probably the wife of the Bleke that lived just south of Huntertown in a huge old house. Have been to their house too.
(Elmer Bleke)

Virgil Bilger, grad. 1919, born about 1901. Warren says he was the owner of the tavern in Laotto and that he was a "cranky old cuss". Since Warren didn't frequent taverns, I am not sure how he knew that.

Wallace Scheurich, grad. 1922, born about 1904. I remember nothing about this man or even the name.

Walter Simon, grad. 1922, born about 1904. This was a customer of Warren's and he lived somewhere behind where we lived at Laotto. When Zip our pony got loose he took off and went over to his farm. He did that a couple times and we decided we had to get rid of him as we could not continually chase him. Selling him is another story that I have told before. Sold him at an auction and he was purchased by Roy Waters.

Vuirl Freeman Christensen, grad. 1923, born about 1905. I bowled with Vuirl in the Laotto Top Thirty. She would have had to have been about 50 or over at that time. She lived at White Swan at that time, across from Juanita Hart.

Arthur Moore, grad. 1923, born about 1905. The Moores had the meat locker and butchering place between Avilla and Laotto. You could rent a freezer space there and keep your meat in it and then take it home, about what you could use for the week and keep it in the refrig freezer. It was handy and they did some butchering for us. I think we got a pig from someone as I remember but also you could buy meat from them to put in the freezer.

Howard Hosler, grad. 1925, born about 1907, was a customer.

Enos Young, grad. 1925, born about 1907, and he was the owner of the Post Office building and grocery in Laotto when we lived there. We had a post office box and you had to go to get your mail once a day as there was no delivery to your house at that time. This was always the way it was in Avilla too as we all had post office boxes.

Kenneth Whonsetler, grad. 1926, born about 1908. A customer.

Darwin R. Bryan, grad. 1926, born about 1908. This was probably Bud Bryan's father as he was also named Darwin, but went by the name of Bud. The younger Bud was married to Ilene Stonestreet and one of our good bowlers on the Laotto Top Thirty. Then Ilene was a sister to Joan who married a Bolton and we all bowled together and Joan had a daughter that was Carol's age by the name of Becky I believe and she was killed in an accident on a country road a few years ago leaving 4 small children. Her husband sometimes drove the school bus for Timothy when he first started going to Garrett. Bud's boys are in construction and they did some work for Carol and Tim. Think they were the ones that added to their upstairs. (Plumbing)

Sarah Josephine Kistler Fitch, grad. 1929, born about 1910. Actually, she is called Josephine on the memorial and went by that name. She married Cecil E. Fitch. Josephine was born Sept. 29, 1910 and she died Sept. 5, 1991. Cecil was born Sept. 12, 1912, and he died August 19, 1988. His father was Oliver Jasper Fitch and his mother was Retta Paulina Stokes Jensen. Oliver was no doubt her second husband and she was his second wife. They met when they became neighbors, she was living with some relatives and he was living with his sister and they found themselves right across the road from each other. Cecil's grandparents were Perry Fitch and Sarah Elizabeth Gloyd.

Reuel Moore, grad. 1920, born about 1911, and customer and a brother of Arthur Moore.

Monzella Buchanan, grad 1929, born about 1911. She was married to a Buchanan, and Warren and I remember it a little differently. At first when we knew them they lived out on Road 8 and she had antiques. This may be the place that I bought my old chest from her. (A blanket chest). That is a long story too about how it got broken and how I discovered then that it was put together with pegs. And the worst of all was that the piece that surrounds the bottom broke off and somehow it has been lost and I have only part of it. Another thing that I did was to take off the finish and that is really a no-no now. It had it's original red paint finish I think. Now I am really not sure as that was long ago and the thing in those days was to refinish everything. Now you mustn't take off any of the old paint but leave it looking ratty and then it is worth a lot more. All that to say that Monzella had a lot of antiques and they moved into town into the house right across from us on the opposite corner next to Brocks Department Store. They had a really nice yard and an old brick house the envy of all us young antiquers. I remember her as the grandmother of Jennifer Buchanan and good friend of Carol's. Joan had married (was it Jack?) and they finally got a divorce but Jennifer was a Buchanan and then Joan finally remarried a Warstler and moved to Auburn. Warren didn't think these were her Grandparents, but I think so as they came to visit often. Monzella had this beautiful old house all filled with old stuff and it was really good things she had. Probably would be a fortune in antiques today. We would visit every so often and she had stuff you could only dream about.

(Jerry)

Merlin Whonsetler, grad. 1929, born about 1911, a customer

Harriet Moudy Houser, grad. 1930, born about 1912. Warren says she was "Dutch" Houser's wife and was a school teacher.

Bill Beltz, grad. 1931, born about 1913. Bill was the husband of Peg Beltz and I bowled with Peg. They were also the parents of Dody who married a Hersberger and was a fireman at Laotto. Peg went with us to tournaments and so we spent quite a bit of time together at different bowling events. (HARRY HERSBERGER)

Theodore Brindle, grad 1931, born about 1913. Ted was the husband of Catherine, or Kathryn Brindle another lady that I bowled with. They lived in Laotto. I am not sure if he had the farm tractor store there, but think so. (It was his father's first, then he & his brother, E. RAN IT)

Bruce Coil, grad. 1932, born about 1914. He was another son of Albert Coil and was a customer of Warren's.

Everett Truelove, grad. 1932, born about 1914. He was the husband of Kate Truelove and one of our better bowlers. In later years she had breast cancer, but must have beat it as she is still alive and going strong in 1997. We saw her a couple years ago working at the nursing home at Avilla.

James Buchanan, grad. 1934, born about 1916. Not sure who this is but when I graduated from school Jim Buchanan from Huntertown was a hot ball player. Not sure if he and the one that married Jennifer's mother, Joan, were brothers or cousins. Both boys were good basketball players, but Jim was a good guy and this other one was a friend of Jack Kelham and I think they ran pretty wild. His name may be Jack too. That seems right to me at this time.
(no - Jerry)

Jesse Fulk, grad. 1934, born about 1916. Jesse and his wife were good friends of the Knotts and the Smiths and did a lot at Cedar Creek Church where we attended as teenagers. I think they were also neighbors of the Knotts. I know they had some connection with our youth group. I remember having parties at the Knotts.

Carl Farmer, grad. 1935, born about 1917. I am not sure if this is Bernice's husband or not. Further along the list is a Charles Farmer. But I bowled with Bernice Farmer in the Laotto Top Thirty

Don Freeman, grad. 1935, born about 1917. Don is the husband of Alice and we bowled together too. I have seen her many times at JoAnn's while I was working there. I am pretty sure that Don bowled too.

Argyl Grogg, grad. 1935, born about 1917. Argyl married Ruby and they were good friends and neighbors to Esther and Otis. I believe they lived across the road from the Kelham's and back a long lane.

Robert Anderson, grad 1936, born about 1919. Robert is Lois Miller's brother. Lois was married to Wilbur Miller and were friends of ours in Avilla. Think there was a "war" on between Robert and his brother, Jim, who lived across the road just north of Laotto. Jim had a junky junk yard at his house and I think the brother probably started the mobile home park there.

Donald P. Beltz, grad. 1936, born about 1918. His nickname was "Tub" Beltz and they lived back behind us at Laotto. Back a long lane that had a really big dip in it and I remember going back there with snow on and wondering if we could make it up the hill. When we left Laotto she took some of our cats.

Eugene Myers, grad. 1936, born about 1918. This was Danny Myer's son and Warren was there when his wife had an accident and was hit along highway 3. I think he was either on his way to work or on his way home. He would have to tell that story.

Juanita Beltz Hart, grad. 1937, born about 1919. I bowled many years with Juanita. They lived in White Swan. I wonder now if maybe she was Bill Beltz's sister. Peg and Juanita were good friends.

Robert Heitz, grad. 1937, born about 1919. The Heitz's lived north of the Hogue Schoolhouse where Warren went to grade school. This would have been north of the Knott farm.

Homer Schenk, grad. 1937, born about 1919. I bowled with Ruby his wife. They lived in a big old white house at the corner of Highway 3 and Road 68. Always heard that her housekeeping left something to be desired!

Jack Whan, grad. 1937, born about 1919. Jack was an electrician in Avilla and did some TV repair, especially after Warren quit doing it. *Guess he gave up before Warren. CARTEAUX fixed TV afterwards.*

Jean Whonsetler Thrush, grad. 1937, born about 1919. Bowled with Jean and she married Bob Thrush, brother of Jack, Ambrose, and Albert. Just recently their 51 year old son died of cancer.

Douglas Cartwright, and undergraduate. Doug had the service station in Laotto and was married to Donna at the time and I bowled with her, or she bowled with us, however.

Lawrence Croy, undergraduate. Lawrence is older brother of Irv Croy and they have worked together in the well drilling business. Now Irv's boys are doing it. Robert is another brother, but I did not know him. Lawrence's daughter, Roseanne is married to Larry Smith, a preacher at Wesley Chapel or used to be anyway. He also was an assistant to Gilbert Dilley at one time.

Gaylord and Betty Campbell. Gaylord is Barney and June's son. One time June's daughter was at our house playing with Carol and she fell up the porch steps and broke her arm or leg (not sure which). She had broken it a few months before and it was just pretty much mended. I am not sure how she did it, but had to have it set again. June may have bowled with us for a while too.

Gene Cogan, Gene was a coach at Avilla and a teacher, & umpire

Lowell Gordon, and his wife Nondis lived on the angling road at the south of Laotto. We visited them quite often. They both bowled. Nondis with us and Lowell with Warren. In fact, Warren and Lowell won prize money in a doubles tourney, probably at Kville.

Arthur Troyer, married to Pauline (don't remember her maiden name) They had the potatoe farm. They were about our age and were really involved in the Wesleyan Church at Laotto. Warren thinks her step-father's name was Born. I didn't know them myself that well.

Eugene Yarde, customer of Warren's.

GRADUATES OF LAOTTO SCHOOL

- 1902 — *BORN about 1884* (1950 - Age 66)
Nathan Coil
Floyd Warner
Clement Whonsetler
✓ Melvin Yarian - *customer*
Zora Yarian Hart
- 1903 — *BORN about 1885* (1950 - Age 65)
Nettie Dudley Elson or Edson
Maude Gorrell Kramer
✓ Carl Simon - *customer*
Enid Simon Dieble
- 1904 — *BORN about 1886* (1950 - Age 64)
Edith Hosler
Roy Potter
- 1905 — *BORN about 1887* (1950 - Age 63)
Hoggie Coil (or Roggie)
Maggie Cuney
Blanche Ditmars
Blanche Holbrook
Floyd Worman
- 1906 — *BORN about 1888* (1950 - Age 62)
✓ Dee Baker Preston - *mother of Harvey Preston?*
Orie Bilger
Floyd Gause - *BANK Manager at Laotto*
Grace Rosenberger Markwith
Josephine Simon
✓ Frank Weller - *customer*
Mary Whan Pepple
- 1907 — *BORN about 1889* (1950 - Age 61)
Frank Coil
Bertha Holbrook Vorhees
- 1908 — *BORN about 1890* (1950 - Age 60)
Elsie Cobbs Jackson
Goldie Coil
Gertrude (Dehoff or Demoff) Whonsetler
Ina Belle Simon
Etta Smith Forker
Hazel Whan Englert
Lillian Yarian Pfleidner
Earl Zinn
- 1909 — *BORN about 1891* (1950 - Age 59)
Gladys Holbrook Fair
Minnie Kelham Whan
Page Perry
Mable Simon Knepper or Kneffer
Clara Sloffer Weller

- 1910 - BORN ABOUT 1892 (1950 - Age 58)
 Nellie Wyatt Erickson
- 1911 — BORN ABOUT 1893 (1950 - Age 57)
 Willie Bilger
 Agnes Cuney Foster
 Ora Gause Potter
 Minnie Kugler
 I. Ray Potter
 - Ralph Preston - Father of Harvey?
 Ima Sloffer Greenwell
- 1912 - BORN ABOUT 1894 (1950 - Age 56)
 Grace Bilger Jordan
 Freeman Bunting
 - Albert Coil - customer, father of
 Georgianna Harrod Newhart
 Fred Potter
 James Wyatt
 Edna Zinn Gorrell
- 1913 — BORN ABOUT 1895 (1950 - Age 55)
 Gertude Gause Gump
 Charles Gorrell
 Gladys Sloffer Wolf
 Glen Sloffer
 Walter Whonsetler
- 1914 — BORN ABOUT 1896 (1950 - Age 54)
 Paul Garst
 Walter Shenk
 Ina Simon Brown
 Myrth Simon Inman
 Ralph Wappes
- 1915 — BORN ABOUT 1897 (1950 - Age 53)
 Erma Cobbs Rusert (Rusery or Hubert)
 Grace Ditmars Schenk
 Fred Freeman
 Purl Gause
 James Harrod
 Orville Robinson
 Ruth Vanaman Thompson
 Harold Walter
 - Jesse Warner Harrod - Ovid's wife? Her name was Jesse or Jessie
 Adrian Weaver
 Willard Yarian
 Marie Zinn
- 1916 — BORN ABOUT 1898 (1950 - Age 52)
 Carl Bilger
 Ralph Bilger
 Cora Cooley McCoy
 George Gause
 Mable Guthrie Kane
 Nina Jackson Simon
 Pauline McNamara Roth
 Fern Miller Rose

Perma Rich
Argyl Simon
Leah Sloffer Hatch
Fern Warner Coil

1917 — BORN about 1899 (1950 - Age 51)

Pearl Erwin Frankenberg
Orpha Glawe Delancy (Delanoy)
✓ Hazel Graber Crothers Clifford's Folks - lived behind us in Avilla
Gladys Guthrie Lane
Mable Kugler Garman
Paul Martin
Morro Sheets
Clifford Simon
Myrtle Zinn Sloffer

1918 — BORN about 1900 (1950 - Age 50)

Howard Bosler or Hosler
Edward Fogel
Ruth Goe (Coe) Croy
Leona Hawver Charlson
Fern Holman Andrews
Forest Hosler
Wilma Hosler Simon
Joe Kugler
— Lenora Simon Bleke *
Georgianna Wyatt Simon

1919 — BORN about 1901 (1950 - Age 49)

Virgil Bilger
Ruth Broughton
Noble Jackson Harrod
Cecil McBride *
Ralph Perry
Walter V. Simon
Charles Wappes
William Wappes

1920 — BORN about 1902 (1950 - Age 48)

Lucile Bolton Kugler
Edna Christlieb Gienger
Laura Cuney Jackson
Howard Ervin
Elnora Growcock Perry
Gladys Gump Ellison
Reuel Guthrie
Anna Kugler Funk
Grace Rowe Doelling *
Grace Simon Zolman
Robert Wyatt

1921 — BORN about 1903 (1950-47 yrs)

Harold Barnes
Marie Campbell Kent
Walter Dickes
Howard Holbrook
Grace Montooth
Veryl Simon Hellwig
Everett Vallance

1922 — BORN about 1904 (1950 46 yrs)

Winifred Gorrell
Fern Gump Hindenlang

— Wallace Scheurich

— Walter Simon — *pony ran off to his farm*

1923 — BORN about 1905 (1950 - Age 45)

Goldie Campbell Young
Vuirl Freeman Christensen — I bowled with Vuirl — Laotto Top 30
Leona Growcock Davis
Joanna Jackson Yarian
Clell McKeever
Arthur Moore * — Had the meat locker & did butchering
Stanley Oakes
Dalton Rhodes *
Ora Rhodes Fields *
Crystal Young Hart

1924 — BORN about 1906 (1950 - Age 44)

Carlton Harrod
Merle Kelham —
Grenivere Kugler *
Russell Rowe *

1925 — BORN about 1907 (1950 - Age 43)

Arlene Holbrook Wells

— Howard Hosler

Virgil Scheurich

Kenneth Simon

Darwin Troyer

— Enos Young — Owner of the Post Office and Store when we lived
at Laotto in the early 1960's

Gertrude Young Fisher

1926 — BORN about 1908 (1950 - Age 42)

Darwin R. Bryan * — Bud's father?

Margaret Freeman DeWitt

Cecil Rhodes

Fred Rhodes

Leonard Rhodes *

Howard Scheurich *

Gladys Whonsetler Berkes

— Kenneth Whonsetler

1927 - BORN about 1909 (1950 - Age 41)

Hazel
Ella
Mary
Andrew
Joseph
Mildred
Lee
Nina
Howard

1928 - BORN about 1910 (1950 Age 40)

Ray Fr
Harry
Everett
Lee McK'
Mildred
Frank R
Mandel
Darrel
Fern Truelove
Kermit Whan

1929 - BORN about 1911 (1950 Age 39)

Florence
Maretha
Melvin Ful
Helen Hal

SARAH Josephine Kistler Fitch - married Cecil Fitch Josephine 9-27-1910 to 9-5-1991
Frank Mallon
Willard Mi

← Reuel Moore - arthur's bro.

Mary Simon
Monzella S Buchanan - Had Antiques - Rd 8 and Corner lot in
Marcile Sno Avilla - I think she was Jennifer's Grandma
Robert Truelove
Lauren Weaver
Lileth Weaver
— Merlin Whonsetler
Ruth Worman Whonsetler

1930 - BORN about 1912 (1950 Age 38)

Hilda Bolton Christensen
Cleo Campbell
Evelyn Cuney
Robert Guthrie
Russell Kelham - b. 9-19-1911 d. 1-30-1986 wife Ann or Barbara Ann McComb
Velda Landgraff Grill from Harvey Fitch fam.
Glade Leiter
Frona Mallon Whan

→ Harriet Moudy Houser - Dutch Houser - school teacher
Merle Renkenberger
Vaughn Truelove
Warren Whan *
Harold Whonsetler

1931 - BORN About 1913 (1950 Age 37)

Leroy Anderson

Bernard Balliet

William Beltz * Husband of Peg Beltz a fellow-bowler

Theodore Brindle - Husband of Katherine Brindle, bowler

Orpha Englert Andrigo

Cecil Fitch * - MARRIED Sarah Josephine Kistler

Kathryn Freeman Emerick

Velda Fulk Sherwood *

Marion Garstka

Marjorie Ruth Kistler

Martha Rose Kistler Delancey

James Mallon

Ruth Marsh Young

Argyl Mendenhall

Sarah Pepple

Arlo Schug *

Glen Schutt

Emma Simon Devoe

Otho Troyer

Catherine Whonsetler Moore *

Cecil 9-12-1912 to 8-19-1988

Cecil's Father: Oliver Jasper

" Mother: Reta Paulina Stokes Jensen

Children

Glenda

Richard

Grandfather - Perry

" mother - Sarah Gloyd

1932 - BORN About 1914 (1950 - Age 36)

Lavon Becker

Eleanora Case Murphy

Bruce Coil - son of Albert -

Omer Ennis

Wayne Kugler

Robert Leiter *

Loretta Pfleidner Anderson

George Rhodes *

Edward Shenk - Airport? Lee's brother

Everett Truelove - Husband of Kate, a fellow-bowler

Marie Wagner Landgraff

George Whan

1933 - BORN About 1915 (1950 - Age 35)

Mildred Bradley Briggs *

Mary J. Beltz Venderly *

Frona Coil Minier

Ernest Kistler

Demaris Lucky Nyikos

Catherine Schenher Markin

Russell Shenk

Allen Troyer

Robert Whonsetler *

William Worman

1934 - BORN About 1916 (1950 Age 34)

Lucille Bradley Lung *

Elmo Bricker Osburn

Ruth Brown Ruderman

Otho Bryie

James Buchanan

Jesse Fulk - friends of Knotts, neighbors

Carrie Leiter Russell *

Ruth Lochner Roush
Rowland Parker
Russell Pepple
Louise Richards Middaugh
Elizabeth Rogers Amos
Donald Snoke
Harold Snoke
Richard Troyer *
Clifford Wappes

1935 - BORN ABOUT 1917 (1950 AGE 33)

Vernon Badger *
Leona Bryei Ickes *
Carl Farmer - husband of Bernice, bowler
— Don Freeman - husband of Alice?
Argyl Grogg *- Ruby Grogg
Dale Harter
Rex Holbrook
Virginia Kostellney Pepple
Cleo Leiter
Mary Lochner Strong
Clara Mallon Cook
Maurice Myers
Goldie Ober Gibson
Pauline Pepple Leiter *
Leona B. Potter Sage
Clara Schenher Dafforn
Robert Stonestreet *
Paul Streich *

1936 - BORN ABOUT 1918 (1950 - AGE 32)

— Robert Anderson * - Lois Miller's brother
Ruth Appleman Buchele
— Donald P. Beltz - Tob
Arley Brindle
Frances Case Rodermund
Hilda Freeman Bergstrom
Howard Fulk - ~~Butt~~
Lenora E. Fulk Geiger
James Gray
Leona Harrold Leitch
Edward Koenig - Koenig's lived in the house we lived in at Laotto
— Eugene Myers - Danny Myers' son - wife hit
Lincoln Pepple
Myron Wappes

1937 - BORN ABOUT 1919 (1950 - AGE 31)

Juanita Beltz Hart * - I bowled with Juanita
Leita Bradley Baker
Shirley Brown Wiley
Edwin Englert
Earl Harshbarger
— Robert Heitz - north of Hoque Schoolhouse
Ilene Pepple Young
Marie Pfleidner Klinger
Albert Richards *

Homer Schenk * - I bowled with his wife, Ruby
Jack Whan * - *Electrician, Avilla?*
Jean Whonsetler Thrush * - I bowled with Jean and she is
married to Robert Thrush

1937 undergraduates

Douglas Cartwright * - Doug had the service station in Laotto
- Lawrence Croy * - Lawrence is Irv Croy's brother and partner
in the Croy Well Drilling business

Robert Croy * - *Brother of Irv*
Mary Gray Snell *
Mary Leiter Peduto *
Ernest Rhodes *
Ruth Shenk Brado
Marcile Troyer Whonsetler *
Dorothy Whan Donahue *

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Lois Andros

Dody Beltz Hershberger - I bowled with Dody, her husband, ^{LARRY} was the
fireman that helped get Carol out of the
mud.

Emery and Lottie Brindle

Pauline Brindle Snell

- Darwin P. Bryan - may be Bud, husband of Ilene

- Gaylord and Betty Campbell - *Barney's & June's son*

Donna Cartwright - I bowled with Donna, wife of Doug

- Gene Cogan - Gene was a coach at Avilla

Dekko Foundation, Inc.

Charles Farmer

Farmers and Merchants Bank

Larry Gordon -

Sandra Hadley

Alberta Harreld Sams

Arelen Harreld Owens

Laotto Wesleyan Church

Leer Chiropractic Center

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Stella Mallon

Thelma Myers Beiswanger

Esther Richards

Bernice Rowe Blombach

Dorothy Rowe Johnson

Ruby Schenk - I bowled with Ruby, married to Homer, above

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Christmas list of 1964 or 1965

John 23.00, Larry 24.50, Cathy 29.00, Carol 26.00, gifts from kids 4.00, candy and nuts 8.00, my boots and tablecloth 15.00, cards and wrap 6.00, wrap 1.50, stamps 3.00, tree 4.00, decorations 3.00, material 7.50 ... Totals \$154.50
Warren, allowance 13.50, groceries and lunches 30.00, baton lessons 2.00, allowances 5.00, light bill 10.00, O.P.Crafts 8.00

Jan. 23, ... Warren 13.50, milk 4.00, groc. and lunches 25.00, baton lessons 2.50, Singer 2.50, Christmas 2.00, clothes 5.00, bowling and gas 6.00, allowances 4.00, gas 6.00, school rental 16.00, Warren Christmas 25.00, soft water 5.00, telephone 6.00, Wards 5.00 school lunches, John 2 days, 74¢, Carol 3 days, \$1.05. rent 55.00 (this would have been at Laotto, 1963, 64, or 65)

Feb 6 ... coal \$40.00
Feb 13 light bill 13.00

List of things to do which I did *Must be at Laotto and at 14611 Auburn Rd.*
plant jade plant in red cookie jar
make sampler and frame it
finish china cabinet - *oak from McKinleys*
pick up table from Myers - *cherry*
make plastic ironing bags
finish Larry's ball shirt
Larry, shirt from antique drapery material
permanant for me, for Cathy, for Carol
clean boys room, Cathy's room, Carol's room
paint rec room walls
take beans to Hunteertown elevator - *has to be after 1965*
refinish telephone radio
make green plaid wool skirt for me
make blue cordoroy skirt for me
make red, white and blue print shift for Carol
make shorts for Cathy, yellow flowered material
make shorty P.J.s for me, blue plaid with leaves
make blouse and skirt for Cathy, blue denim
Pencil holder for Carol, and one for Cathy
Pencil holder for John
crack and pick out the rest of the walnuts
Dentist appointments for the kids
Cathy, eyes checked
refinish round table - *At 14611 Auburn Rd.*
resew and wash braided rug
wash crocheted rug
wash light fixtures in the living room
clean kitchen cupboards
transplant geraniums
make pair of brick bookends
make blue wool skirt for Cathy
make wine wool skirt for me
get 4-drawer chest for school books
Hem Warren's pants
Shorten Cathy's multi-colored dress

Shorten Cathy's white slips
 Green plaid shirt for John
 Checked shirt for Larry
 make suede purses for the girls
 clean pressure cooker and return it
 finish rug for the bedroom
 make curler cans for the girls
 pick lima beans
 make white blouse for Cathy
 make red and white blouse for Carol
 make pink print blouse for me and blue print one
 make green and black wool dress or jumper for me
 make a green flannel shirt for John
 wash the storm windows and put them up
 refinish cherry drop leaf table
 Larry - ear appointment
 make small flowered blouse for me and one for Cathy
 Cover garden book with green felt
 Green wool jumper for Cathy
 Carol a shirt from pink plaid
 shorten Cathy's jumper from Sylvia
 make brown purses from Sylvia
 shorten coat sleeves from Sylvia
 make black skirt for Cathy
 make flowered blouse for me
 make sewing machine cover, gold quilted fabric
 make purse accessories out of same fabric
 make red coachman's shirt for Cathy
 blue and white shift and purse for me
 make blanket housecoat and shoes for me
 pink and white checked crop top with ruffles
 keep score for teams, Garrett
 keep score for singles and doubles, Garrett, Auburn
 blue jumper skirt for Carol with big buttons
 put buttons on Larry's coat
 start spring cleaning, drawers on March 29
 make yellow blouse for me
 clean Carol's room the first warm day
 cover girl's bulletin boards
 make pink polka-dot shift for Carol
 make green and white checked blouse for me
 make purse boxes or bags for our room
 make piano bench cover
 refinish old trunk - bought a Newville Auction

Rows of things planted in the garden .. White popcorn 5 rows,
 early sweet corn, 3 rows, late sweet corn 3 rows, beets and radishes,
 cauliflower and broccoli, larkspur and asters, nasturtiums and
 marigolds, cabbage and muskmelons, giant zinnias, cactus zinnias,
 state fair strawflowers, lettuce, green beans, watermelon, cabbage,
 tomatoes, pumpkins and gourds. Had 24 rows planted.

Probably 1960, but guess I did have a big
 garden in 1966 at 14611 Auburn Rd.

Cleaning Jobs ..

- lamp shade in kitchen
- BOYS school boxes in the closet
- sort sewing room materials
- dye our bedspread - Aug. 1966
- clean off desk
- hang curtains in rec room
- defrost refrigerator
- clean cupboards in kitchen

Sewing Jobs ..

- make pink and white shift
- make voile blouse for me, pink flowered
- cranberry cordoroy skirt for me
- brown bowling skirt for me
- blouse from nut material
- make curtains for bedroom

Building Jobs .. 14611 Auburn Rd.

- put up shelves in bathroom
- sand kitchen wall
- paper kitchen wall
- paint basement wall by piano
- stain mailbox post
- put wood shelves in canning closet
- tar paper front door, where rain came in
- black board or peg board at kitchen door
- paint sewing room window
- repaint bedroom windows
- paint kitchen door on the outside
- take tape off garage doors
- take tape off Cathy's window
- varnish kitchen door on inside
- sand and refinish bathroom door trim
- varnish bathroom door on the inside again
- caulk bathtub
- paint around bathroom windows, outside
- repaint front soffitt
- make towel holders for bathroom

1965

A game of checkers
At Grandma &
Grandpa Browns





Building during
the summer of 1965



Sunday, July 4, 1965

Bombing of North Vietnam and Viet Cong positions in the south continued, unabated, and President Johnson was facing a long summer of congressional bickering over his Vietnam policies, as well as stiffened resistance to his domestic programs.

The Senate had to wrestle with a House-passed measure revamping the Social Security system; it called for an increase of 7 percent in payroll taxes to finance new Social Se-

curity benefits and a medical care program for the elderly.

Ex-movie actor Ronald Reagan was the new golden boy of California conservatives. They wanted him to be the Republican nominee for governor in 1966.

Television was a strange brew. A new series coming in the fall looked questionable in July. It was "a farce set in a German POW camp" — the now legendary "Hogan's Heroes." Already established was "My Favorite Martian."

In Fort Wayne, the long-awaited Franke Park Children's Zoo opened. People stood in line for three hours July 3 waiting for the zoo to open; a repeat performance was expected on the Fourth. Youngsters especially liked Monkey Island and the contact area, where visitors could mingle with goats, calves, deer and burros.

A bit of extra excitement occurred when the zoo's miniature train came steaming out of the tunnel, jumped the tracks and came to rest with its cow-catcher bent around one of the train station posts. No one was hurt.

Picnickers could find some good buys: Eavey's on Decatur Road had fryers for 25 cents a pound and sweet corn for a nickel each. Haag Super Drugs had cooler chests for \$4.99 and 25-inch barbecue grills with hoods, spits and motors for \$7.77. Or, if you wanted someone else to do the cooking, Azar's was offering chili hotdogs or chili burgers — six for \$1.

Among local people in the news were John and Connie Boley, who went through flight training and ground school together, took their first solo flights on the same day, and passed their private pilot's test on the same day.

Ann Tyler, a local secretary, made news because she drove a 1931 Cadillac convertible to work every day. Old cars were a family hobby.

And Pat Harrison, new to Fort Wayne from her native Australia, was elected president of Newcomers Club. A newspaper feature writer wrote of Harrison's zeal for community service and told how she became involved in Fort Wayne: "In no time flat, (Harrison) had presented herself at St. Joseph's Hospital here to see what she could do to help."

Thirty years later, she would be named a YWCA Woman of Achievement for her continuing service as a volunteer patient advocate at St. Joseph Medical Center.

Margaret Ringenberg and her 17-year-old daughter, Marsha, a recent Leo High School graduate, had completed half of the 2,400-mile course in the 1965 National All-Women Air Race (formerly Powder Puff Derby) when they landed at Dallas July 3. They were headed to Savannah, Ga., on the Fourth.

(A former Women's Air Service Pilot who ferried planes during World War II and has racked up more than 40,000 hours of flight time in her career, Ringenberg is still competing. Last year, she flew in the Round the World Air Race.)



File

The Franke Park Children's Zoo opened July 3, 1965. People waited up to three hours to be admitted. The Fourth of July brought hundreds more to see the long-awaited zoo. Thirty years later, it is still a popular city attraction.

1965 I have written some about the building of our new home at 14611 Auburn Road but will see if I can add more details. We bought the 10 acres so that we could do as we pleased on it and not have to go by all of the so-called rules that the county tried to impose on you if you had less land than that. That was how we got the extra acre at the back where we finally built our second house.

We would spend many evenings there and nearly all of our Saturdays and Sundays as we did not go to church at that time. We had so wanted a place on the Fitch land, but that was not to be. They hung onto that for their dear life and Grandpa Fitch, Warren's dad, was not really interested in our having any of it, or really even cared about what we did or where we lived. He was always quite impossible to talk to and later Maxine said that she could not talk to him either. Guess he was just an unhappy man. So we finally gave up on the idea of a dream home down by Little Cedar and looked elsewhere. We finally found this land and though it did not have woods, or creeks, only a fence row with a few trees, we decided it was available and the price was right, so we took the plunge.

I can remember in the spring (or was it early summer) we went out and walked over it and decided where we wanted to put our house and put up a few stakes. It would be back off the road about 300 feet as the front was made up of lots and again we didn't want to put the house on them because of restrictions. It would not have been a good idea anyway as often that part turned into a pond when we would have heavy rains.

Warren and I would often have a tug of war over details. I wanted it "bigger" and he wanted it "smaller" or less expensive. Finally I fought long enough to have about 8 or 10 feet added to the east side to enlarge our living room and the girls bedroom. There was no basement under this part but that was OK. We had plenty of basement.

I have already told about the storm that knocked down the roof trusses and part of the south wall and that eventually we began to call this "Agony Acres". It seemed lots of things would go wrong. Before the summer was over we had the upstairs framed in and a roof over our heads. Since it was open to the South we had a lot of light in the basement and fresh air so that was where we decided we could live for a while. We had a patio door and a cement patio.

It was a hard summer and I fell between the joice at one time while we were trying to get it covered because a rain storm was coming and it was getting dark and I fell through and hung by my arm pits on these two peices of lumber! The boys and I spent much time in the station wagon hauling lumber and waiting at Wickes for loading.

I know I mentioned putting the roof on by moonlight with frost on the roof and then we finally moved in on December 24th of 1965.

The Wilson Brothers put up the cement blocks for the basement walls at a cost of \$613.66. It was a busy year. Seemed like we had one problem after another. That was a stormy summer and one night after putting up about a dozen roof rafters or trusses we had a terrible storm, in the middle of the night. I can remember laying in bed and watching the lightning. It was almost constant and very awesome. I have never seen it quite like that again. It was very unusual, not like the usual storm with thunder and lightning, and I was quite afraid of it. As usual Warren slept right through most of it. Anyway we did have quite a big windstorm with it and the next day when we went to check on the house all of the roof trusses had collapsed and most of the Celotex on the south side of the house was torn away. We began to call this place "Agony Acres". Actually we had also had a collapse of the dirt around the Basement wall and the north side of that developed a crack that we worked on for quite a while before solving that problem. That did not happen during that storm but sometime earlier.

We were at Laotto also when Indiana had the large group of tornados go through. I don't remember the year but it was on Palm Sunday and some towns were nearly destroyed. They skipped all over Indiana. It was a frightening night. I can remember that the moon would shine and then the wind would blow the clouds back and it would rain. The clouds were just racing across the sky. And it was at Laotto that I can remember the first time that it snowed so much that we would call it a blizzard. We had howling and screaming winds and lightening and thunder. This was the Christmas eve storm that we had in 1964. We stood and watched our dining room window just weave in and out and hoped it would not come crashing in, or blow out. Warren was on his way home from Magnavox on Christmas eve. We had some very unusual weather while we lived at Laotto.

Then we moved into our house on December 24, 1965. It rained a cold constant rain all day and all the next day which was Christmas. It was miserable! We had cement block walls, cement floors, No kitchen sink or cupboards. We did have a stool and sink in our little bathroom which we had completed with a tub and shower. That was our luxury. The kids slept in the garage area. Warren and I still had our sofa beds to sleep on. We heated with an oil space heater with a stove pipe going out of the wall and up the outside of the house. The upstairs was enclosed but there were no windows. We wouldn't move any bedrooms upstairs until spring. All my pretty things stayed packed in boxes!

Christmas Eve that year was spent at Lois's house. We all looked like we had been through the mill from our pictures! We were very tired, I'm sure. We had a tree up at Laotto and also put up a tiny one in the corner of the basement at the new house. On Christmas Day we moved more things over, and when we tried to roll the piano down from the truck on a couple of boards, it just fell off right on its back. What a disaster, that was my precious piano. We just picked it up and rolled it right into the house and it played just as usual. It probably needed tuning anyway but we never did anything to it. The cabinet was cracked but the works OK. Several years we sold that piano to a man who just stopped by and saw it.

Christmas 1965 Christmas was most unusual because we moved into our new home, 14611 Auburn Road on the day before Christmas and it rained and it rained and it rained!! We had put up a tree at Laotto and a small one in the new basement of our new house. So then at the end of the moving day, we changed our clothes and took off for Lois's for Christmas Eve with the family.

The basement that we had moved into was just cement-block walls and a bathroom. At first there was no kitchen sink or cupboards. We put the kids beds up in the garage and Warren and I slept on sofa beds in the main room. We heated that first winter with an oil heater. At least we had a "lovely" bathroom with miraboard walls with gold stars on a white background and a tub and a shower and stool and all.

Christmas Eve I wore a granny-square sweater that I had crocheted. It was black with pinks and purples. Warren had on his black and white striped sweater which we often laughed about alot because he probably wore that thing for 20 years! We finally had to throw it out. It might have lasted another 20 years! All I can remember about that evening is that we were all plenty tired. And it was still raining!

On Christmas Day, the big event was the moving in of our piano. We had purchased this from Betty Pepple while we were still living in Laotto. It was still raining. As we slid it down from the truck onto skids, it fell off on its back with a great song and a bang. What to do?? Well, we just sat it back up, rolled it into the house and it still played. We never did fix it up and used it like it was. It was working well enough for me I guess. Finally after several years, we sold it to a fellow and I did miss it, although I went off to work and would not have had much time to play on it anyway.

We had mountains of dirt around the house all that winter and the next summer too. The kids had been going to Huntertown to school all fall. We had driven them from Laotto each day so that they wouldn't have to change schools when we made the move in the middle of the school year. So after their Christmas vacation, they were picked up by the school bus right in front of the house. The bus driver may have been Larry Martin, who lived right down the road. One of the other drivers they had (and I don't know who came first) was Mrs. Doug Price (Martha) who was the wife of our milk man.

So that Christmas of 1965 was a wet, muddy, tiring day.

One of the things that must have happened in the spring of 1966 was that we went to a skating party at the Roller Dome in Fort Wayne and I ended up breaking my tailbone. Carol was trying to learn to skate backward and somehow fell in front of me and we both went down. I hurt badly enough that I could not skate any longer and was in misery all night. Next day I went to Dr. Priddy and he diagnosed it as broken but there is nothing they can do for it except keep me off my feet. So it seemed that for at least 3 or 4 weeks I spent most of my time on my back except for going to the bathroom. I had a bed fixed in the rec room downstairs and only did what I had to do. I think for 2 weeks I could not do anything and then for a long time I was not to lift. I remember that I missed the last two weeks of bowling and that was the first time in my bowling life that I did not go bowling! I was bowling on Maxine Dennis's team at Northcrest at that time.

The bowling banquet came along and I wanted to go so badly so had to take my inflated "donut" with me to sit on and I hurt pretty badly, but I did go. It was a long process of healing so imagine I was not much good all summer!! I can remember laying on the bed in the basement and going through all of my picture books and scrap books and trying to put them in some kind of order. Like a forced vacation.

So I would say that this happened about the end of April or May and am not sure if it was a school skating party or one of the Magnavox Athletic Association.

And was that skating party 1966 or 1967?
No, it was 1966 as in Aug 66 I commented that
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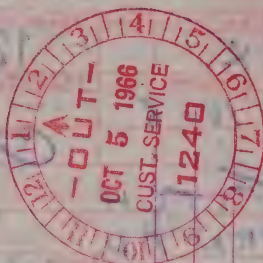
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At the time we moved there were few houses in the neighborhood compared with today. The corner of Old Auburn and Gump had an addition called Tullivan Lake and had several houses around it. Then there were the two Martin houses to the North of us and on the South, another Martin home, and across the road was the Bobay home. Most of the rest were built after we were here. So we were living in the wide open spaces and the road was safe for the kids to ride their bikes on and it was a gravel road and not paved at all at first. Gump and Hursh were paved but coming south it was not. Also at the time the Auburn Road was the main road and went right on through Dupont, which was the road where people had to stop. I guess eventually when 69 went through they put up stop signs on Auburn Road and Dupont came to be the through way.

In 1966 John played baseball for Warners and the kids had their friends in. We went to the Hometown fair, which was a very small affair! We put in the windows in the upstairs and got the siding on that part. We got a pup and called him Sparky and he was with us for a long time. Warren still played a little ball, but he had mainly given it up to build the house. We had Puff and lots of kittens and it was not always easy to get rid of them!

In August there was a Klinker Reunion at Monroeville that we went to. My Grandma Klinker would have been 91 years old that year. Of her children the ones that were there were Sadie, Raymond, Pearl, Ralph, my mom, Mary, Maxine, Ernest and Helen. Harry had died and Homer and Irene were not there. Lots of my cousins were there also like Lucille, Louise, Doris, Margaret, Frieda, and Joan, Marietta, Delores, and Helice and my sister, Lois. I am sure there were guys there too but the only one I have a picture of would be Roger who was still married to Lois Foster.

Carol took ballet lessons and Cathy was a majorette and they both were eventually with the Pom Pom girls, or whatever you called that group. Carol would do some of the choreography (SP).

For all of 1966 we still had huge piles of dirt around the house. All that was dug out of the basement. The first grass we planted was in the lower yard by the patio because that was the door we used to get into the house and really for most of our time there that was where we would come in and where our guests would come. Seldom would anyone use the front door.

Christmas 1966 This year we had family Christmas at our home. We had paneled the basement walls and the fireplace was still just a big hole in the wall, so we tried to hide it. The floor was just cement, no ceiling, but we did have a coat closet! We had a "lovely" tree in front of the future fireplace. Guess we hid the fireplace behind some of those awful plastic curtains. Remember them from the 50s???

I was wearing a dark, olive green dress made of wool that I made I remember wearing it to Singer with a cream lace collar but think I must have purchased the wool elsewhere because at Christmas of 1966 I would not have even known that I was going to go to work at the Singer Company. Anyway, Cathy had a red cordoroy or velvet-
een dress we had made. I also had made the boys shirts. Poor kids! I would guess that we had moved all of our beds upstairs to our rooms even though it was still undone. If we had electric heaters and windows that was all we needed. It was a slow process.

July 21, 1966, Thursday, .. Cool this morning. Sunny and clear all day. High 78. Washed a load of towels, white load. Ironed. Fish steaks for dinner. Took tape off garage door windows, and washed them. Painted the outside of kitchen door. Carol finished her purple print 4-H dress. Mom called. Had chicken and brownies for supper. John had a boy scout meeting. Warren cultivated the soy beans tonight. Cathy is still at church camp at Lake Webster.

Friday, July 22, 1966 .. Cool in the morning. Then it became sunny and warm. Washed a load of towels, and a dark load. Ironed. Carol started her 4-H curtains. We had hot dogs for dinner, leftovers for supper, macaroni and tomatoes, french fries, and leftover meats. Had a few radishes from the garden. They are pretty hot. Got them out much too late I guess. Went to the station for popsicles and candy bars. Warren finished cultivating soy beans tonight.

Saturday, July 23, 1966 .. Warmer today. Larry and John both had baseball practice. Warren worked with Larry's team from 8:00 to 10:00. I went to the Avilla Bank, Brocks, and the hardware and Fisher's. Spent \$25.00 on groceries there. Went back to Huntertown and picked up the rest of the family. Cathy came home from camp about 12:30. At 2:00 we went to Jack and Jill Amusement Park. It was all free from the Magnavox A.A. It was very hot but the kids had fun. Stopped at City Utilities on the way home and watched a softball game. Warren worked on the backyard this evening. Also on the bathroom vent pipe. I read new McCall's Needlework and went to sleep.

Sunday, July 24, 1966 .. Partly cloudy and hot. Girls went to church. John started his 4-H woodworking project, an early American what-not shelf. Larry decided to make a sleeve board. Cathy and Sharon Gloyd went leaf hunting and then swimming in their lake. Carol and I went back to pick them up. Went to Royville for pop and soap. Washed a white load of clothes. Warren worked with the boys and also on bathroom vent pipe.

Monday, July 25, 1966 .. Sunny and hot today. All went to Fort Wayne this morning but Carol. Picked up 3 rolls of pictures. Bought shirt material for the boys, dress material for Cathy, shoes for Cathy and me, slacks for Larry of brushed denim. Also fringe for Carol's curtains and \$12.00 worth of groceries from K-Mart. Came home and washed a load of colored clothes, dark clothes, pink load, 2 loads of sheets and towels, and another load of towels. Ironed about 45 minutes. Went to Wickes with Larry. We bought a storm window for the sewing room, a screen door for between the garage and rec room. For supper we had cubed pork and hashed browns. Larry's team, Price's Dairy played their first game in the tourney. They lost 12 to 2. Larry caught. I sat with Ginny Harrod and Mary Morrell. Oh yes, and we also bought a sport shirt for Warren.

In 1997 I
still have both
of these!

Tuesday, July 26, 1966 .. Sunny and hot. Took Carol to ballet at Huntertown. Then I did some ironing. I felt quite dizzy today. Girls worked on their 4-H projects. Wards called. Larry is to be there at 3:00 tomorrow for fitting for 4-H style show. Washed a load of towels and colored clothes, and a dark load. Pork roast and french fries for supper. John had a game at 7:15 tonight, their first game in the tourney. They beat Huntertown Grain 3 to 1. It was a very good game. Mike Ramar pitched. John struck out, got on an error, scored the tie breaking run, and assisted the final out. Warren got his hair cut tonight. It sprinkled a little during the night..

Wednesday, July 27, 1966 .. Ironed. Girls worked on 4-H. Carol fixed hot dogs for dinner. Washed two more loads of clothes. I took Larry to Montgomery Ward for fitting. He is wearing a tan sport outfit. It was hot and humid all day and evening too. A few very light sprinkles. The girls finished their 4-H projects. Cathy baked 2 cakes and Carol made 2 batches of bar cookies. Cathy stayed up until 11:00 finishing her dress. I had to take the record books down to Mrs. Kruse tonight. Larry was also working on his project. What a rat race!

Thursday, July 28, 1966 .. Hot and cloudy most of the day. Guess the temperature was only 85 but it was so humid. Cooled off in the evening. Still no rain. Got up at 5:30 to get things ready for judging day. Cathy had to bake another cake and it really flopped so we took the one she baked yesterday that fell apart. Picked up Julie and Jane about 8:15 and got to Huntertown about 8:30. The boys went along and practiced ball. Carol got three purple ribbons, on her dress, her curtains, and her cookies. Cathy got a purple on her dress and a blue one on her cake. The "Perry Pals" got quite a few purple ribbons. The girls were really pleased. The judges weren't nearly as tough as I had imagined they would be. The judging was over by about 12:30 and we came home starved. Then the girls went swimming and horseback riding at Sharon Gloyd's in the afternoon. Larry went to stay at David Morrell's for the night. It was David's birthday. Cleaned up the living room, bathroom, and did the dishes. Then fixed supper. Warren had a flat tire on the way to work this morning. Warren had taken John to boy scouts and then when I picked him up we went into Wards to pick up the tire. They didn't have it done so we had to wait nearly an hour. We bought 2 flashlites and some cokes .. Washed 3 loads of clothes today. Had some fresh green beans.

Friday, July 29, 1966 .. Sunny and cooler this morning. Ironed. John and I went to K-Mart. Bought plastic boxes on sale. Sewed for a while on flowered pink blouse. Spent some time putting clippings and yarn and crochet thread in the plastic boxes. The zinnias are blooming in the garden. Corn is silking, and the pumpkins and gourds are blooming. We had pork and beans and left-over meat and corn bread for supper. Cathy and I made doughnuts. Worked on the insulation upstairs tonight.

Saturday, July 30, 1966 .. Sunny and mild today. Not too hot and not too cold. John had ball practice at 8:00 this morning. Took him and went on to Avilla. Went to the bank, DeLucenay's and Fisher's. Bought \$16.00 of groceries. Went to White Swan and got pipe for vent pipe about 1:00. Had to make two trips. Then took Cathy to HUntertown at 3:00. She had to march with the band at Arcola. We all went in to the folks about 6:30. Larry picked up a trunk load of wood from Grandpa's shop. Nice and cool .. there was a full moon.

Sunday, July 31, 1966 .. Sunny and warmer today. Cathy went to church this morning. Drove by the "old Homes" when I picked her up. Baked potatoes, cold meat, and salad for dinner. Girls took pictures and the boys sanded on 4-H projects.

Monday, August 1, 1966 .. Both John and Larry played ball tonight. Larry's team lost their second game so they are out of the tourney. He pitched the whole game. John pitched for his team too and did a real good job against Spangler's but they lost by 1 run. Real proud of them anyway.

Thursday, August 4, 1966 .. John had a boy scout meeting.

Friday, August 5, 1966 .. John had to go mow the lawn at church. He mowed with ChipBlauscias. It took them nearly all morning.

Saturday, August 6, 1966 .. John's team had ball practice at 8:00. Went to Avilla. Then to Fort Wayne after lunch to pick up whatever else was needed for the 4-H work. Helped John stain and varnish his what-not shelf. I think it is beautiful.

Sunday, August 7, 1966 .. Worked most of the day finishing 4-h projects. The house is an absolute wreck. Gathered leaves, put leaves and photography projects together. Cathy made 2 pillows for home furnishings project. Finished all record books. Girls went to church.

Monday, August 8, 1966 .. We took all of the exhibits to the Colesium about 11:00 a.m. (a whole station wagon full). Unloaded and looked around until 2:00. Then we went to K-Mart for lunch. At least it was cool there. It seemed pretty warm all day although the temperature was not extremely high. Carol won a State Fair ribbon on her curtains in Home Furnishings. Got home around 4:30 so John could rest. Ball game tonight. They played West's team and lost by 1 run. They (Warner's) led by 4 runs until the last of the 5th. 2 Hits and 1 error by Bill Cook lost them the game. Oh well, now John is free to go to boy scout camp. They played very well the whole tournament. Spooler pitched against them and Mike Ramar for them.

Tuesday, August 9, 1966 .. Cleaned house a little and did some washing and ironing this morning. Went to the fair about noon. Carol got a B on her crafts, nothing more on the girls dresses or cooking. Photography, Carol A, Cathy and Larry B, Woodworking Larry C and John B. (I was quite disappointed in this as I felt their projects were excellent). Forestry John B. His electric project was not quite completed as yet. I left Cathy and John at the fair and took Carol and Larry to Montgomery Wards for the practice of the fashion show. Lois Klinker was there too and her daughter, Angela, is modeling with Carol. New-found second cousins. Had a doctor's appointment at 5:00 for John so we rushed to Avilla. Had to wait 3 hours to see the doctor. He checked John over for scout camp. Everything was fine but his vision. Looks like he may have to have glasses. Meanwhile, back at the ranch, I mean the fair, the girls had to be in the parade at 8:00 so Warren took them. He and Larry went to a ball game and the girls then to the fair. Mrs. Gloyd brought them home. John and I ate when we got home and then collapsed. What a day!

Wednesday, August 10, 1966 .. Rained all day today. Ironed all morning. Back to the fair at 1:00. The girls had a dress revue rehearsal. In electricity, John and Larry both got a B. Home in time for a nice supper for a change. Put a pork roast in the oven at noon. Carol had to go to "Award night". She received a medal. Was a little disappointed because the honor classes won gifts. Doesn't seem quite fair since hers was a state fair entry but that is all any of the homemaking state fair entries received. Cathy ran around at the fair and the men stayed home for a change. Oh yes, John won a little camera at the fair. The rain we had should help the garden and the beans.

Thursday, August 11, 1966 .. Clearing up today and real cool. John had a swimming party at Bill Cook's for the ball team, from 2 to 6. I took clothes in to be dried at the laundromat as my dryer quit again. Dropped Larry off to watch the final games at the ball diamond. Supper, then the girls and I were off to the fair for the final evening, a public dress revue. John had a boy scout meeting then Warren took him to Hometown for a watermelon party. The coaches played the Lion's Club in softball. Warren pitched, naturally, and they won 2 to 1. Then they came to the fair to help us load everything up. It was almost 11:30 before we got home. Brought Sharon home too. Thank goodness the fair is over.

Friday, August 12, 1966 .. Went to town again today. Got clothes for John for scout camp. Pants, socks and a swim suit. Had cokes at K-Mart. Carol stayed home. Ginny Harrod called to say what a good job Warren did last night pitching. Finally had an evening at home.

Saturday, August 13, 1966 .. Went to Avilla. Carol went along. Went to the bank and hardware. Took my sweeper motor to Garrett to be fixed but wasn't worth fixing. Will probably try to buy a rebuilt motor for \$16.00. Then we went back to Avilla for groceries. Oh yes, Garrett was having a sidewalk sale, but couldn't find any bargains we wanted. Warren and the boys and I went to Fort Wayne about 4:30. Warren bought some shoes. Then we went to the folks to pick up the canner for beans. Also got a few tomatoes. We did some wiring in the sewing room this evening.. Warren fixed the dryer this morning and did several loads.

Sunday, August 14, 1966 .. Had a nice rain during the night. Cloudy and humid most of the day but no more rain. The girls went to church this morning. John packed his clothes for camp. Fixed chicken for dinner, potato salad and cake and sandwiches to take to Fort Hill. Sharon was here for dinner and went with us. Left for Michigan about 12:30. Got there a little after 2:00. It is close to Sturgis. Way back in the wilderness. They have a nice dining hall and fireplace. The kids went swimming. Then we had a potluck supper about 4:30. The fathers and sons then played softball with about 25 on each side. The sons won. John will be taught to swim (we hope). He is in a cabin with 5 boys. We left about dark and stopped at Dairy Queen for a treat in LaGrange, Indiana. Home about 10:00. As a side note, I didn't write this at the time but I can remember how hard it was to just leave John up there at camp.

Monday, August 15, 1966 .. Rained again this morning just a little. Partly cloudy and humid again. Washed and ironed all day. Cleaned up all the dishes, etc. The girls went swimming at Sharon's this afternoon. We had leftover chicken and french fries for supper. Rained very hard during the night from 2:30 to 4:30.

Tuesday, August 16, 1966 .. Fair and cooler this morning after the rain. I ironed. Went to town after lunch. Carol and Larry had dress rehearsal for Saturday morning. Did a little shopping. Bought pink thread and buttons for pink flowered blouse I just about finished this morning. Took the girls to K-Mart and Larry and I went to the bowling alley. Bowled one game at 166. My tailbone felt just fine so I guess maybe the doctor is right, I can bowl. Cathy bought plaid material for a jumper. Didn't get home until 5:30. Fixed a hurried supper. Sharon came down this evening to stay all night. Worked on wiring again. Hooked up the sewing room.

I am adding this paragraph to correct some of the things I had typed on some other pages. It is that I had the year wrong that Carol and I had the tumble at the skating rink and I broke my tailbone. This diary sort of proves that it was in the year of 1966 instead of 1967. It was the fall of 1966 that I went to work at Singer ~~so I had a little more than a year to recoup from that accident before going to work.~~ The above note tells me that it was in the year of 1966 that I broke it, and was off my feet for at least 2 whole weeks and then couldn't lift for quite a while, tho I would say I kept pretty busy in August of 1966 so must have been on the mend by that time.

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Wednesday, August 17, 1966 .. Still fair and cool. Girls went bike riding this morning with Jim Ramsey. Rode all morning, Leo Cedarville and all over. Got home about noon. Went into town again. Had to take Carol's curtains to the extension office. Picked up new project booklets for next years 4-H. Stopped at Northcrest. Got hose and hand lotion and dye. Went on to Wickes Lumber and picked up wiring supplies. Home at 3:00. Had to get ready to go to boy scout camp with Blausius's. Started pork steak and left at 4:00. Stopped for supper in Sturgis. Had a wonderful chicken supper with all the trimmings. Then on to camp. John was playing softball when we got there. He wasn't homesick at all. He is making some progress in swimming. Received his first award tonight at "honor night". Had campfire, singing and skits. Took John some of my leftover chicken pieces and some candy bars. Talked a while and then came home .. Oh yes, I finished blouse this morning. The folk's anniversary. One note is that Mr. Blausius drove about 90 mph all the way. I was scared silly.

Thursday, August 18, 1966 .. Still fair and nice out. Hoed weeds in the garden and picked a sack of roasting ears. The racoons are eating it terribly. Brought in one head of cabbage, and 1 tomato and a bouquet of zinnias. Pumpkins, gourds, and melons are really growing. So are the weeds. Dyed our bedspread chestnut brown. Came out real pretty. Almost rust color. Also washed slip covers and redyed them. Washed two loads of towels. Had corn and hamburgers for supper. Went to Wickes and got particle board, wall board, and plywood. \$40.39. Rained north of us and south of us this evening but missed us entirely. Worked in the sewing room putting up insulation and wall board.

Friday, August 19, 1966 .. Cloudy and cooler this morning. Winds from the north. Washed colored clothes, sheets, towels, white clothes, a dark load, red load and a load of gold rugs. Cleaned house as well as we could. Took Cathy and Sharon to Wiseman's for a slumber party. Had a quick supper and went to Fort Hill to pick up John. He was all packed and ready to come home. Had a good time I guess, but was extremely busy while there and had a lot of physical activity. He went to sleep on the way home. We stopped at LaGrange at the Dairy Queen.

Saturday, August 20, 1966 .. Got up at 6:00 and John had to be at the school to leave for the Detroit-Baltimore game at 7:30. Roger Harrod was taking them in his van. Then Carol and Larry were in the 4-H fashion show at Montgomery Wards at 10:00. It was real nice. They gave away gift certificates but naturally we didn't win any. Shopped a little and then came home. Magnavox had a picnic at Kendallville today so about 2:00 we went up. The meal was over but they still had free soft drinks. Carol and Larry went swimming. There was supposed to be a softball game but only 6 guys showed up so they just tossed the ball around a while. Stopped at Fishers for groceries on the way home. We worked in the sewing room on the floor tonight. Warren picked John up around 9:00 in Huntertown. Baltimore won the game.

Tuesday morning

Good morning!

By the time you get this it will be a day after your birthday but "Happy Birthday" anyway. We were going to mail this yesterday afternoon from Howards but the gas pedal on the station wagon kept sticking so we took the shortest route home from mom's.

We will probably be seeing you in September. The kids are looking forward to coming to Monroeville on the 18th. Carol met Angela (Roger's girl) at a 4-H fashion show a few weeks ago. They modeled clothes together. If we don't make it for dinner we will at least come in the afternoon.

Seems impossible but it is nearly time for school to start again. We are all glad to have school begin. The kids enjoy it and I may get some work done for a change. We have had a very busy summer. Mostly kids activities. My garden is late but coming along fine now except the racoons

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by the time you get there will be
a day after your birthday but happy
birthday anyway. We were going to have
the quarterly afternoon from tomorrow but
the gas bill in the station was 10p
standing so we took the electric route
from from home.

The well probably to say you are
happy. The bill was today 10p. I
going to 10p. in the 10th. I
not happy (10p) at a 10p. I
then a few weeks ago. This method
states together if we can make it for
them we will be back soon in the
afternoon.

have improved but it is necessary that
you will be able to see again. We are all fine
I have not seen you. The bill says it was
I may get now and then for a change
We have had a very long summer (10p)
which is not 10p. 10p. in the 10th.
coming from the 10th.

are in the corn. The second crop is just about ready so we will have to make plans to keep the pests away. We may try putting a radio in the garden. Some people say that works. We will have lots of tomatoes, but they are just starting to turn now. We have loads of pumpkins, gourds, and a few watermelons.

I guess the girls told you they were going to the state fair tomorrow. (Sat.) Carol was very pleased to have her curtains chosen to go. She has done real well. Last year her dress went down. They will just be gone for the day but it will be a long one.

Mom gave me the hankie you sent that belonged to your mother. I am real pleased to have it. I can't wait until I can take my old pictures and things out of the boxes and put them up. As yet we do not have all of our insulation and wall board up so they are better off in boxes. I hope by Christmas it will look more like a home. Well, I'm running out of paper so "Happy Birthday" again and we will see you in September.

Love,
Betty

Dear Great Grandmother

I wish you a
happy birthday.
I was in 4-H
this year. I got
a green state fair
ribbons on my
curtains. That's

Saturday.

your Great
grandchild
Carol Fitch

the best you
can do. I take
ballet. I think
it is a lot of
fun. I am
going to the
state fair

Dear Great-Grandma,

Happy Birthday! Golly,
you're lucky! You don't
have to go back to school
like the rest of us kids. I
almost hate to see the
summer end. This summer
I've done these things:

learn to swim

rode horses

went to church camp

work on my 4-H projects
and lots of other things

So, you see, I've been
pretty busy this summer.

Saturday at 6:00 A.M. Carol +
I are going to the state fair
with our 4-H club. Then the
summer's over. We start
back to school Sept. 7.

It looks as if I'm running
out of paper so I'd better
sign off.

Love Always,
Cathy

Dear Great-Grandma Hlinker,
I would like to wish
you a happy 91st birthday.

I hope you are well.

Has your summer been
interesting?, Mine has.

I've been busy this year.

In 4th H ~~—~~ this year I took
~~4~~ woodworking, electricity,
and forestry. I got a Ribbon
in all of them. I've been
playing baseball, ~~and~~
this summer. Last week
I went to Boy Scout camp
where I learned how swim.
I have made a poem for you
"In the year you are 91"
I hope you have lots of fun.

Your 11 year old
Great-Grandson
John Fitch

Dear Great - Grandma

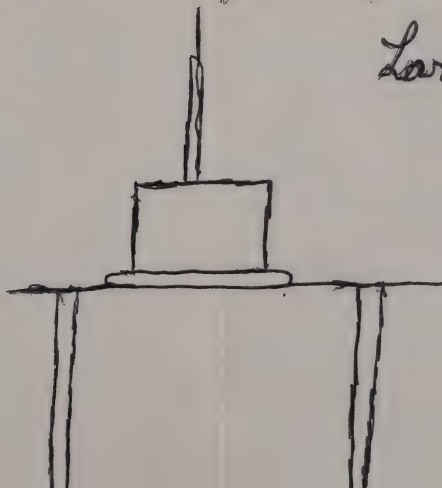
I hope you have a happy
Birthday. I played Baseball

this summer, I lost every game.
Next year I'll be on a better
team and will win some game.

I made a sleeve board
and extension cord. I was
in photography and took lots
of ^{things} different things. I did these
~~things~~ in 4. H.

The youngest in the
family.

Larry
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and Joy to you

And many Blessings

the whole year through

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Cathy, Carol,
John & Harry

"Glory to God in the highest..."

LUKE 2:14

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on HER BIRTHDAY



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Love,

Betty and family



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Sunday, August 21, 1966 .. Washed white, towels. Warm and humid. Rained hard about 45 minutes this afternoon. Cathy went to church. We put up wall board in the sewing room and particle board in the hallway for the floor. Cathy finished a plaid skirt. Carol started on a blue and white print dress. Went to Royville to get pop. A very quiet day.

Monday, August 22, 1966.. Cloudy this morning but clearing later on and cooler. Mom called this morning. Grandma Klinker sent me an old hankie that was her mother's. I will have to pick it up when I am at mom's. Carol did some sewing, Cathy baked cookies and I ironed. Washed a towel load, dark load, black load, and a red load. Warren worked late this evening. RMS in town this week. Bought 160 used bricks at 3 cents each near Churubusco. Also people came to look at the kittens. They want 2 in a couple of weeks.

Tuesday, August 23, 1966 .. Clear and cool today. Took Carol to ballet at 9:00. Picked up the rest of the family at 9:30 and headed for town. Went to K-Mart, Miracle Mart and Northcrest. Bought school paper, pencils, pens. Carol bought a dress and socks. (how did she do that if she was at ballet?) Cathy, some shoes, and Larry some pants. Also a closet rod and misc. notions. Went bowling at Northcrest. Had 156, 180, 149. Larry and John bowled 2 games. Larry had 85-85 and John had one game of 67 and I don't remember the other one. A quiet evening spent at home. Warren put up closet pole tonight in the sewing room.

Wednesday August , 1966 .. Still clear and cool. About 50 this morning. Ironed, washed 3 loads of clothes. Carol cleaned the house. Cathy made graham cracker pies. Went to Hometown. Picked up Debbie Warner to stay all night. Fixed meat loaf, rolls, french fries for supper. Did the dishes with Cathy's help. Warren put up the ceiling in the boys room. Very tired again tonight. Carol and Debbie made pizza at midnight. Had to tell them to go to bed at 4:30!

Thursday, August , 1966 .. Still fair and cool. Took Debbie home about 10:30. The kids and I picked green beans to take in to mom. Went in about 1:00. Took 2 big sackfuls of beans. Stayed for a while. Got tomatoes and grapes, then headed for home. The gas pedal in the station wagon is giving me trouble so I came right home. Carol went to a party at Kathy Sloffer's. Warren didn't come for supper. Big meal out with the RMS. Cathy baked chocolate chip cookies. Carol got home at 11:30. Warren a few minutes later.

Friday, August , 1966 .. Fair and much warmer today. Didn't go anywhere today for a change. Did quite a bit of washing and ironing and some cleaning. Today is Grandma Klinker's 91st birthday. We sent her s card and some notes that the kids made. Got the kids to bed early. The girls are going to the State Fair tomorrow. Oh yes, went to Royville for food for their lunch .. Dyed girls mohair sweaters gold.

probably the oil heater

Saturday August , 1966 .. Got up at 4:30 to get the girls off to Indianapolis. At 5:15 I went over to pick up Becky Gump. Dawn was just starting to break. Mrs. Shreffler took them all to Hometown school to catch the bus. Went back to bed and slept until 8:00. Went to Avilla around 10:00. John went along. Went to the bank, DeLucenay's, and went to Helvey's. He sold our stove so gave me \$35.00. After lunch we all went to John and Sylvias to have John check the sweeper motor and fix the gas pedal on the station wagon. They bolted down the pedal and we paid him \$2.00. Then after that jaunt, Warren and the boys went into town and to George Phillips. I went to Wickes to pick up more supplies. Spent \$22.06 today, wall board, insulation, and a shower rod, and an inside door jamb. We put up insulation in the kitchen and the shower curtain rod and curtain in the downstairs bathroom. Girls got home about 9:30. Had a good time. Carol got a red ribbon on her curtains. Cathy went to the rodeo with Dave (Hall). Took a shower tonight! .. Gathered roasting ears also this evening.

Sunday, August , 1966 .. Fair and quite hot today. Carol went to church this morning and Warren and John worked on the backyard today. Washed towels, dark load, red load. Caught up on the ironing. Had a headache most of the day and had little pep. Roasting ears for dinner and "outdoor" steaks for supper. Potted a geranium and a nasturtium that was in the garden. Went to Royville for pop.

Monday, August , 1966 .. Ironed and finished a shirt for John. Did some corner cleaning in the rec room. Went to town about 1:00. Bought groceries, Larry 2 pair of pants and a broom. Cathy and Carol stayed home. Went to the bowling alley and bowled 4 games. Got 1 free game today and used 1 that I got last time. Bowled 83, 159, 153, 172. It just began to feel right the last game. Must remember to reach. The boys kept score for me. Cathy had gone horseback riding when we got home. Had cubed pork for supper. Warren put a shelf in the sewing room and a door frame in the bedroom. Both of us quite tired tonight. Hot today.

Here is a list of house expenses we had. Of which year, I am not sure. They are dated in June and July. Probably the year was 1965.

Lynn Lake, sink	dowstairs	10.00	6/20
Wickes	Kitchen	65.826	6/29
Wickes		32.41	6/29
Wickes		41.36	7/2
Wickes		52.81	7/3
Wickes		49.45	7/
R.E.M.C.		17.50	
Wickes		71.23	7/7
Wickes		56.40	7/7
Sutherland		38.79	7/9
Zimmerman, basement		444.27	7/8
Avilla Lumber		8.43	7/10
Harlans, shovel		6.12	7/10
Expenses to date		894.59	

Rental Service, trencher	20.40	7/10
Huntertown Lumber	52.10	7/15
Huntertown Lumber, pick	5.71	7/16
Morsches Lumber	37.13	7/16
Wickes	2.50	7/16
Huntertown Lumber	5.51	7/22
Trencher	12.24	7/13
Trencher	5.10	7/13
Midwest Gravel	38.94	7/22
Wickes	16.32	7/23
Wickes	861.25	7/26
Huntertown Lumber	3.26	7/28
Wickes	19.18	7/30
Auburn Junk - I-Beam	76.30	7/30

Expenses to date 2050.53

Now to go on with the dairy which was another book?

Tuesday, August 30, 1966 .. Carol had ballet this morning. Two of our kittens were missing today. We forgot to put them in the station wagon last night. I'm keeping the ironing caught up each day. Washed towels, dark load, blue load, and white shirts tonite. Lois came about 1:00 and picked up Carol. She is going to stay at Susan's for a day or so. Cleaned in garage this afternoon. Roasting ears, hamburgers and french fries for supper. Cathy baked chocolate chip cookies and cupcakes. Did a little wiring in the hallway ..

Wednesday, August 31, 1966 .. Still fair and hot. Highs in the upper 80s but it really seems hotter than that. Guess we were spoiled by the cool spell we had. Started cranberry cordoroy skirt for bowling. We all went to White Swan for milk and ice cream. They are the closest store that carries Burger ice cream. Larry bought a swimming mask he has been wanting. Stopped at the cafe for cokes. Bought a couple of outdated patterns for 10¢ each. Pork Roast for supper with creamed potatoes and french fries. Carol still at Susan's.

Thursday, August, whoops, that is September 1, 1966 .. We believe Puff is taking the kittens over to Bobay's barn. She has just 1 left here now. Finished cordoroy skirt. Had a horribly stiff neck most of the day. Ironed, washed 2 loads of clothes. Went to Wickes about 1:30. Bought particle board, ½ inch wall board, felt paper, 2X4s and 1 storm window, \$35.81. Fried chicken and gathered roasting ears for supper. Tomatoes still green. Gourds and pumpkins still growing like mad. After supper we all went to Lois's to pick up Carol. What a mad house! Guess I'm just too old for all those kids. (Lois's kids were always a much wilder bunch than ours). Lois has a big old house with quite a bit of room. She needs it. Stopped at K-Mart on the way home. Didn't buy a thing.

Friday, September 2, 1966 .. Can't believe that it is September already. The days are getting short already. The crickets are singing like mad all day long. I hope we have a long fall for the garden's sake. Had to go to town again to look at mattresses at Montgomery Wards. Mom planned to buy us mattresses for Christmas but decided against buying right now. Will either wait until Christmas and buy or get something else. Had cokes at Kresges. Got a "Woman's Day" Christmas book (magazine), and a pound of vanilla clusters. Had leftover chicken and cut-off fresh corn for supper. Warren did some work in the back yard. Also worked in the upstairs bathroom..

Saturday, September 3, 1966 .. Went to Wickes first thing this morning and picked up the bathroom window. Went on to Avilla with Carol and Larry, to the bank, DeLucenay's and Fishers for groceries, \$18.63. Got home and had the wrong size window so we loaded it up and it started raining. We had a couple of small showers then a bigger one this evening. Returned the window and bought some nails. Got the right window, insulation, and wallboard in the bathroom today. Mike and Irene McKinley stopped to see the house in the evening. They are building too, a house with 4 levels. (Oh, yes I remember that house, just north of Avilla).

Sunday, September 4, 1966 .. Partly cloudy and much cooler later in the day. The girls went to church. We started putting insulation in the girl's room. Wired Cathy's side. Roasting ears for dinner. Took the girls to MYF and when we picked them up we went on into Fort Wayne. Warren and the boys went to a ballgame at the beach. We, the girls and I, went on to mom's to pick up some tomatoes. Went back to the game. It was really chilly out. The game ended when part of the lights went out so we came on home.

Monday, September 5, 1966 .. Clear and cool all day. It did start clouding up around five o'clock. Spent a very industrious day. Finished insulation in the girl's room. Started to clean up but didn't get finished. Went outside and put bricks in along the edge of the driveway. Hope we can get our grass planted in the next week. Washed towels, colored clothes, white load, black load, and a red load. Had pork steak and baked potatoes and tomatoes for dinner, and hot dogs for supper. Our tomatoes are turning fast now. Guess we will have plenty by the end of the week. About 17 big pumpkins are either orange or turning now. We ought to have a few jack-o-lanterns. Oh yes, I forgot to say that this is Labor Day. Warren was home. I also ironed for about an hour this evening..

Tuesday, September 6, 1966 .. The final day before school starts. I ironed for 1½ hours this morning and got all caught up. Went to town about 11:00 - all of us for a change. Went to Miracle Mart, Northcrest and K-Mart. Had a flat tire at K-Mart so we called Warren and he couldn't come until 5:30. It was about a 3 hour wait. We saw all of that shopping center we care to! Carol bought a green shell and some hose. Cathy, a white poor boy and hose and belt material. Larry 2 shirts and I bought some clothes hangers, Anacin, and \$5.00 worth of groceries. Didn't get home until after 6:00. Dashed about and fixed cubed pork, potatoes, roasting ears and tomatoes for supper. Finished dishes while kids took baths and

prepared for school tomorrow. Warren went bowling at Northcrest for his first league night. Had a 507.

Wednesday, September 7, 1966 .. Well, they're off. Very quiet but I accomplished quite a bit. Stayed on schedule pretty well. Did quite a bit of cleaning. Had to get my sewing room back in order so I can sew. Baked oatmeal cookies. Sylvia called and had a big box of clothes so Carol and I went to pick them up this evening. Cathy went to babysit for Hills, the Methodist pastor.

Thursday, September 8, 1966 .. Spent most of the day sorting and trying on clothes. Found some we can use but more that we can't. Sylvia had them all washed and clean. Washed my hair, baked a few more cookies, and really knocked off my schedule. Meatloaf for supper. Forgot to mention the kids teachers this year. Larry got Mr. Boleyn, John got Mr. Sherman, and the girls pass classes. First bowling night. We have a new girl on our team taking Nell's place. Her name is Jeanine Day, about 130 average. Did just lousy. Had 175, then started in on splits and fowled twice in the last game. Had a 451. John had boy scouts.

Friday, September 9, 1966 .. Still fair and cool. Nice fall weather. Made John a shirt this morning. Started fixing the wallboard joints in the sewing room. Baked a chocolate cake. Have been washing and ironing each day to keep caught up. Oiled and cleaned sewing machine. Had a "poor man's supper", pancakes and hot dogs. The girls went to a dance at school. Cut out another shirt for John. Oh yes, we went to K-Mart last night and I got 4 pieces of material for shirts for the boys, gum erasers for school and a TV Guide. All new programs starting for this week.

Saturday, September 10, 1966 .. Carol to ballet, then on to Avilla. Got lime for our yard from the feed mill. Went to Fisher's and spent a little over \$15.00 on groceries. Cold meat sandwiches for lunch and then to Ft. Wayne. Tried to get a part for my sweeper but was unsuccessful. John had an eye appointment at 1:00 at Sears. We ordered his glasses. He is nearsighted. Will not need them for reading. Stopped at K-Mart for cakes and softner salt. Did a little cleaning but didn't feel that I accomplished very much today. Started sewing on John's shirt but I need bias tape to go on. Miss America Pageant on tonight..

Sunday, September 11, 1966 .. Fair and warmer today. Girls did not go to church. Cathy had a jaw ache. Think that maybe she is cutting a wisdom tooth. Picked the last of our roasting ears for dinner. Had cubed pork, tomatoes and Warren had a salad. John and Warren worked in the back yard bringing in dirt, and putting on lime.

(One thing to note here is that John got his glasses when he was 11 years old)

Monday, September 12, 1966 .. Washed and ironed. Cut out a blue and white shirt for Larry. Partially made it but need bias tape to finish. Had the rest of the cubed pork for supper. Went to Ralph Householder's to pick up grass seed. Warren put it on after dark.

Tuesday, September 13, 1966 .. Took Warren to work so I could have the car to go to town. Went on to mom's and took her all the clothes we couldn't use. Then I went uptown and applied for a job at Singers. Mr. Harding was real nice and indicated I could have the job if I wanted it. Will take some thinking over. Went on to Northcrest and K-Mart. Bought groceries, \$4.50, bias tape, a white shirt for Warren, and some socks, shampoo and toothpaste. Went bowling at 2:30. Had practice games of 175, 172, 175. Quite consistant. Fixed pancakes for supper. Picked up straw at Gloyds and Warren put it on before he went bowling.

Wednesday, September 14, 1966 .. Had a nice shower this afternoon. Picked up 2 more bales of straw from Malcolm's for our yard. Finished both of the boys shirts. Nice and warm all day. Didn't feel at all well. Quite dizzy all day. I tried to do some cleaning but just couldn't gather enough strength. Pork roast for supper. The tomatoes are coming on strong. Will no doubt have some to can next week.

Thursday, September 15, 1966 .. Windy and much cooler. Still felt awful most of the morning. Called the doctor but didn't make a definite appointment. Felt some better by evening. Could it just be because it is that time? Washed my hair. Bowling night. Had chicken for supper. Warren took me and then he and the boys went on to Westwood Lanes to bowl. He subbed tonight. I bowled lousy but raised my average a little. Had 140, 148, 185. Lost 3 points again. Warren did much better. Had 540. Girls stayed home. Very chilly tonight.

Friday, September 16, 1966 .. Got very cold during the night. Had a light frost but it didn't seem to do much damage. Ice froze on the car windshield. Some said it was 32. Still dizzy but some better. The girls went to a dance tonight at the school. I called Mr. Harding at Singer and said I would take the job if we can get together on the hours. He is to call me back about when to start. Warren's back is bothering him again.

Saturday, September 17, 1966.. (My sister's birthday) Quite cold again, but warms up nicely during the day. Took Carol to ballet and then on to Avilla. Bought groceries at Fishers, \$16.00. Warren went to Wickes for insulation. Cathy went to town with Sherry Fulk for all day. John and I also went, to Sears for his glasses. \$36.00 altogether. To K-Mart for some groceries, \$9.00, staples, wiring. It was 5:30 before we got home. Saturday is an awful day to shop! What a crowd! .. John's glasses seem to help his vision quite a bit.

Sunday, September 18, 1966 .. Partly cloudy and warmer. Girls went to Church. The Klinker Reunion for Grandma's birthday was at Monroeville today. She is 91. We went from 1:30 to 4:30. Had a nice visit. Warren and John played basketball. I'm afraid he didn't do his back any good. Stopped for cokes on the way home .. Counted about 25 orange pumpkins. Feeling back to normal.

Monday, September 19, 1966 .. Cloudy and mild today but the wind was just a little cool. Sure seemed like fall. I picked a bucket of tomatoes and the wind in the corn sounded real "winterish". Washed and ironed. Did some cleaning in the living room. Warren put on more ceiling insulation. Just about done with that job. The kids had a skating party at the Roller Dome. Cathy stayed overnight at Mary Lou Maloney's. Carol and John went on the bus. Had light showers this evening. Should help the grass get started.

Tuesday, September 20, 1966 .. Rained off and on all day today. Nice soaking rains. Went to town about 10:30. Picked up Carol's curtains at the extension office. Went to Northcrest. Bought wool , blue tweed, for a dress at Wards, a few groceries. Went bowling about 12:00. Bowled 3 games on ally 6 and did terrible. No hook on the ball at all, then moved to 19 and did much better. Last game was 197. Just must remember to reach and let the ball do the work. Got home about 2:30. Real nasty and cool in the house without heat but we needed the rain. Warren bowled tonight. Had 530. Girls went to a 4-H meeting.

Wednesday, September 21, 1966 .. Made brownies and fudge. No rain but still cloudy all day. Temperature about 68. I ironed all morning. Washed towels, dark clothes. Almost finished green plaid shirt for John. A spring broke on my machine and it won't zig-zag. Had spaghetti and meatballs for supper. Warren was late. Had a management meeting at Magnavox, home about 7:30. Then he bowled at Northcrest, 503.

Thursday, September 22, 1966 .. Still sunny and windy and cool. Ironed. Made 2 shirts except for the buttons and buttonholes. Sewing machine spring didn't come in yet. John decided not to go on his camp-out. His cold is quite bad and it is supposed to be 40 tonight. Pot roast for supper. Girls went to a dance tonight.

Saturday, September 24, 1966 .. Weather the same. Carol to ballet. Larry and I went to Avilla and the grocery. Spent \$19.50 at Fishers. Spent most of the day cleaning the upstairs. Don Barnett and his family stopped by in the evening. They brought back our small pool table. Just what we need! Rained again this evening.

Sunday, September 25, 1966 .. Light rains but cleared this afternoon. Cathy went to church this morning and stayed for dinner and afternoon programs. Got the upstairs in pretty good order. Warren started putting up our front door.

Monday, September 26, 1966 .. Went to town about 10:30. Bowled.

Then there is a note for Warren to pick up the kids at 9:30 unless they call earlier. and also to pick up Carol at 9:30 on Saturday from ballet at the old library in Hometown.

That seems to be the end of my 1966 diaries. It might seem that I took that job at Singer, which I know that I did, and from then on was just too busy to keep any records of my activities.

wash dishes 30 + 15
make beds 3¢
pick up all clothing at bathroom 5¢
" " " by the school 2¢
empty garbage can 10¢
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fix & eat supper 25¢
rent newspaper for the room 10¢
fuel in car 10¢
clean bathroom 25¢
clean new room 50¢
take medicine 1¢
brush teeth 2 times 2¢
wash hair 5¢
knew clothes washed 5¢ per garment
shower 50¢ per garment
toilet paper
bikes
fold & put away bed of clothes
wash & clean out car
group & social parties
wash windows
sewer filling & from sewer line
take





The new fireplace

- Sparky -





Cathy



6-29	Golden Dome	4.47
6-29	Wickes	90.22
6-30	Standard Land	45.00
7-2	Felger's Market	9.68
7-5	Felger's Market	5.80
7-8	Fisher's Market	21.87
7-9	Guy Brown	15.00
7-13	Dr. Baumgartner	5.00
7-14	K-Mart Foods	15.00
7-16	Fishers Market	18.99
7-31	Fishers Market	16.36
8-12	Montgomery Ward	20.00
8-14	A.D. Rehder, Journal Gazette	9.60
8-17	Wickes	40.39
8-18	Wickes, wiring	6.51
9-9	Huntertown School, Larry	10.25
9-9	Huntertown School, John	10.83
9-10	Sears Optical, John	6.00
9-10	Sears Optical, John	10.00
9-10	Huntertown School, Carol	8.45
9-10	Huntertown School, Cathy	7.49
9-17	Sears Optical	20.09
10-8	Larry Fitch, work	2.00
10-12	John Myers, repair	67.11
10-16	gas, Royville	5.52
10-17	Larry Martin, combining	42.00
10-	Bank, check for Universal Electric ?	636.99
10-	Anthony Wayne Electric	55.59
11-4	Noble County personal taxes	15.24
11-14	Community State Bank on loan	50.00
11-27	Larry pictures	2.75
11-	K-Mart, shaver	22.32
12-1	Dr. Baumgartner	15.00
12-2	School pictures, John	2.75
12-2	School pictures, Carol	2.75
12-2	School pictures, Cathy	2.50
12-6	Prices Dairy	19.70
12-6	REMC	33.66
12-22	Carr Bowling Ball Service	24.95
12-22	Magnavox, TV	229.50
12-22	Magnavox, parts	8.77
12-30	Wickes Lumber	53.31
12-31	Medical Apothecary	3.85
12-31	Standard Land	45.00
12-31	Dr. Dunton, dentist	11.00

June to December

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We were paying Standard Land \$45 each month on paying off the land. My dad must have loaned us a little money as I see there are payments that we made to him. I am wondering what I went to Dr. Baumgartner for. I see I paid her \$5 in July. Perhaps we were trying to find a doctor in Fort Wayne as Avilla was now too far to go. Eventually we ended up with Dr. Priddy close to Northcrest. Perhaps she even referred him to us as she was leaving her practice.

We would still get our groceries at Fishers some and at Felgers in Hometown. John got glasses from Sears Optical in September. He would have been about 11. I am not sure if this is the first time he had glasses or not. Should check his school pictures I guess. Yes

We had Larry Martin plant our "acres" and harvest them for us. One year I can remember that we had soybeans and I saved a half bushel, just in case. That was the year that Pat Robertson told us they had lived on soybeans for a year and that Dede had made up lots of good recipes. Well, I left them in big glass jars for years, but, praise the Lord, we never got hungry enough to need them!! I am sure Larry planted other things too, but this year we paid him 42.00 for doing the combining. I would guess that the men in the family had done the planting but we just couldn't do the harvesting. We never made much money off the farming at all! Just a little. Then later on we just let the ground lay and used it finally as our little "golf course".

This year we must have bought and paid for the electric heaters that we installed in our home. We paid Universal Electric \$636 We had the REMC come out and give us an estimate and look at the house and tell us how many heaters we would need and so we somehow got these through the REMC or at least they recommended the place to buy them. Anyway we had used an oil stove the first winter we were there so electric baseboard heaters were a real luxury!! I think the brand we bought were Fasco.

School pictures of the kids cost a little less than \$3 for each of them.

One of us got a new bowling ball for Christmas. I do remember that I bought one for Warren one year, but I also had purchased one for me from there also, but a new bowling ball in those days cost \$24.95. We also must have splurged on a new TV because we paid Magnavox \$230 for one in December. I would also guess that Warren got a new shaver this year because I see we paid \$22 for one from K-Mart.

1-15	Prices Dairy	20.83
1-15	REMC	68.85
1-15	General Telephone	5.89
1-30	Warren suit	33.06
1-30	Parkview Hospital, Larry	10.00
2-13	Dr. Knight	9.00
2-13	Medical Clinic, Lab, Betty	5.00
2-18	Dayton Industrial Tourney	40.00
2-18	Wickes	21.45
2-28	Ft. Wayne Medical Lab, Larry	9.00
3-13	Dr. Jurgens, Larry	4.00
3-16	Dr. Dunton	50.00
3-16	Warren, doctor	5.00
3-16	Warren, medicine	9.00
4-8	Dr. Priddy, Warren	5.00
4-8	medicine, Warren	6.60
4-11	Dr. Priddy, Warren	20.00
4-15	Clyde Sprague, taxes	10.00
4-15	Federal taxes, Internal Revenue	99.15
4-21	Lion's Club, boys baseball	10.00
4-26	Roy Merkling, cottage Pretty Lake	20.00
5-4	Dr. Dunton, Cathy	25.00
5-13	Dr. Dunton, Larry	5.00
5-15	Warren, prescription	8.00
5-15	Dr. Dunton, Carol	10.00
6-3	Roy Waters, beans	27.00
6-22	R. H. Donnelly, magazines	11.52
7-3	Dr. Dunton, Cathy	25.00
7-5	Walgreen's, medicine	14.60
7-13	Irving Ready Mix	55.85
7-13	Dr. Sneary, Carol	5.50
7-20	RD. Gleason, trash pick-up	5.00
7-27	Dr. Dunton, John	9.00
7-28	John Myers, car repair	13.51
7-29	Sears Roebuck, furniture	43.35
7-29	Ford Station Wagon, Stan	1495.00
7-29	License for the new car	33.90
8-12	Cottage	45.00
8-30	Singer, kilt pins for the girls	2.00
9-7	book rental, Larry	9.95
9-7	book rental, Carol	10.31
9-7	book rental, John	10.43
9-11	book rental, Cathy Huntertown	8.47
9-14	Magnavox Management Assn.	12.00
9-21	Keystone Cement	55.54
10-7	A & P, groceries	14.28
10-7	Sears, muffler, blue car	17.17
10-12	Dr. Priddy, Betty	5.00
10-12	Warren, sport coat	29.00
10-2	Dr. STucky, Larry	5.00
11-3	Helen Gallagher, Christmas	12.47
11-17	John and Carol school pictures	4.50
11-24	Dr. Priddy, Warren	5.00
11-24	Prescriptions, Warren and Larry	8.43

May be hard to find out what this year was but will work on it. Then will put the date at the top of this page.

We still were getting milk from Price's dairy. We have a check written to Parkview Hospital for Larry, so this may be the year that Larry fell on the ice at Hunteertown School and had a concussion. That was interesting! The called me from school and they had him in the office and he could not remember what happened to him but others told us so we made a rush trip first to Dr. Juergens office in White Swan because he was the closest doctor we knew of and he thought we had better take him in to the hospital and have x-rays. So we did and it was in the hospital that he did finally remember and recognize us. He would talk to us before but somehow would forget and be confused. He says the first thing that he remembered was the light over the bed in the emergency room, and had lost his memory of all of that day and the evening before. We found that out when a couple days later, he went to the closet to get his coat and a new one was there and he could never remember going to the store and buying one. So he never did get the memory of the evening before and that day until he was in the emergency room. We just had to watch him, but he was fine and had no further trouble with that incident. I cannot be sure this was the year it happened but it was the right time of year and with a bill to Parkview and Dr. Juergens, I would suspect it was. Dr. Juergens was not our regular doctor but we knew of him. We had gone to the dentist in White Swan, Dr. Dunton, and their offices were next to each other.

It looks like this year we also spent a week at Pretty Lake. At least we spent \$65 on the cottage up there at Merklings, which was the one we had gone to before. The boys must have played baseball.

Cathy had to have some somewhat extensive work done on her teeth and we were making payments to Dr. Dunton of \$25 a week. This was not braces but he worked on her teeth some way and she had to use dental floss to get around whatever they did. We never had any of the rest of the kids teeth worked on like that. In fact, Dr. Dunton never suggested that the others needed anything done, although I know now that both John and Carol would probably have been good candidates for more extensive work these days. Well, probably we did not pay \$25 a week, probably like once a month.

In July I bought some furniture from Sears Roebuck. One of the things I did buy for the girls was their bedroom furniture. Cathy picked out wood-colored pieces and Carol wanted a white or ivory set, so as I would have money I would order them from Sears and so they would get a new piece every so often until their set was complete.

Also in July we bought what I have recorded as a blue Ford Station Wagon from Stan. Probably Warren was still driving the Blue Ford Fairlane we bought new while in Avilla and I drove the station wagon. I would have been working at Singer this year because in August we bought some kilt pins for the skirts of the girls. They had plaid Scottish wool skirts and kilt pins were the rage right then.

Would guess this was 1968 but will have to check further.



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SILVER SPRINGS

1. The first part of the paper is devoted to a general discussion of the problem of the existence of a solution of the system of equations

which is the system of equations of the theory of the motion of a particle in a magnetic field. The system of equations is written in the form of a set of ordinary differential equations with respect to the coordinates of the particle. The system of equations is solved by the method of the variation of constants. The solution is obtained in the form of a series in powers of the magnetic field strength. The first term of the series is the solution of the system of equations in the case of a uniform magnetic field. The higher order terms of the series are obtained by the method of the variation of constants.

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EMPLOYEE'S STATEMENT OF EARNINGS AND DEDUCTIONS

M-2115-1 REV. 10-61

DEDUCTIONS									
TAXES			SAVINGS				OTHER		
WITH.	F.I.C.A.	STATE	CREDIT UNION	BONDS	PROFIT SHARING	INS.	WEL.	MISC.	
11 20	6 76	1 18				2 18	50		

EMPLOYEE NO.	DEPT.	HOURS WORKED		EARNINGS		PERIOD ENDED			NET PAY
		O.T. PREM.	TOTAL	O.T. PREM.	GROSS	MO.	DAY	YR.	
5304	761		40 0		160 92	07	01	6	139 10

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EMPLOYEE'S STATEMENT OF EARNINGS AND DEDUCTIONS

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DEDUCTIONS									
TAXES			SAVINGS			OTHER			
WITH.	F.I.C.A.	STATE	CREDIT UNION	BONDS	PROFIT SHARING	INS.	WEL.	MISC.	
18 63	8 60	1 64				2 39	50		

EMPLOYEE NO.	DEPT.	HOURS WORKED		EARNINGS		PERIOD ENDED			NET PAY
		O.T. PREM.	TOTAL	O.T. PREM.	GROSS	MO.	DAY	YR.	
5304	761		40 0		195 40	10	11	8	163 64

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OTHER EARNINGS AND DEDUCTIONS

- A. ALLOWANCE
- B. AWARD
- C. GARNISHMENT
- D. MOVING
- E. P/S LOAN
- F. PERSONAL ACCOUNT
- G. SEPARATION
- H. TAX EXEMPT
- I. VACATION ADVANCE
- J. MISC.
- K. COMBINATION

CURRENT EARNINGS									
REGULAR	O/T	COMMISSION	OTHER	OTHER	GROSS				
217 24					217 24				

SAVINGS			DEDUCTIONS				
CREDIT UNION	BONDS	PROFIT SHARING	GROUP INS.	LTD INS.	WELFARE	OTHER	OTHER
			2 60		75		

HOURS		MILES	TAXES WITHHELD			PERIOD ENDING			NET PAY
REGULAR	O/T		FEDERAL W/H	F.I.C.A.	STATE-LOCAL	MO.	DAY	YR.	
40 0			22 98		2 08	12	25	70	188 83

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	YEAR TO DATE				CHECK NO.
	GROSS EARNINGS	FEDERAL W/H	F.I.C.A.	STATE-LOCAL W/H	
307 30 9581 7	11379 51	1169 87	374 40	107 49	568515

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THE **Magnavox** COMPANY

EMPLOYEE'S STATEMENT OF
EARNINGS AND DEDUCTIONS

OTHER EARNINGS
AND DEDUCTIONS

A. ALLOWANCE

B. AWARD

C. GARNISHMENT

D. MOVING

E. P/S LOAN

F. PERSONAL
ACCOUNT

G. SEPARATION

H. TAX EXEMPT

I. VACATION
ADVANCE

J. MISC.

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CURRENT EARNINGS

REGULAR	O/T	COMMISSION	OTHER	OTHER	GROSS
234 48					234 48

SAVINGS

DEDUCTIONS

CREDIT UNION	BONDS	PROFIT SHARING	GROUP INS.	LTD. INS.	WELFARE	OTHER	OTHER
			2 80		75		

HOURS

MILES

TAXES WITHHELD

PERIOD ENDING

NET PAY

REGULAR	O/T	FEDERAL W/H	F.I.C.A.	STATE-LOCAL	MO.	DAY	YR.	
40 0		23 71	10 97	2 42	06	09	72	193 83

EMPLOYEE NUMBER

YEAR TO DATE

CHECK NO.

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	GROSS EARNINGS	FEDERAL W/H	F.I.C.A.	STATE-LOCAL W/H
307 30 9581 7	5627 52	570 52	291 34	58 08

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THE **Magnavox** COMPANY

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OTHER EARNINGS
AND DEDUCTIONS

A. ALLOWANCE

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CURRENT EARNINGS

REGULAR	O/T	COMMISSION	OTHER	OTHER	GROSS
252 87					252 87

SAVINGS

DEDUCTIONS

CREDIT UNION	BONDS	PROFIT SHARING	GROUP INS.	LTD. INS.	WELFARE	OTHER	OTHER
			2 80		75		

HOURS

MILES

TAXES WITHHELD

PERIOD ENDING

NET PAY

REGULAR	O/T	FEDERAL W/H	F.I.C.A.	STATE-LOCAL	MO.	DAY	YR.	
40 0		30 07	14 79	2 79	03	30	73	201 67

EMPLOYEE NUMBER

YEAR TO DATE

CHECK NO.

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	GROSS EARNINGS	FEDERAL W/H	F.I.C.A.	STATE-LOCAL W/H
307 30 9581 7	3540 18	420 98	207 06	39 06

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NOT NEGOTIABLE

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THE SINGER COMPANY
CENTRAL PAYROLL DEPARTMENT
SYOSSET, NEW YORK

No. **725860**

AGY.	SHOP	EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EARNINGS			AUTO	TAX DEDUCTIONS			F. I. C. A.	
			SALARY		COMMISSION		WITHHOLDING	STATE	LOCAL		
60	45	35566	6500		2052		1205	133		376	

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STATEMENT OF EARNINGS AND DEDUCTIONS

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NET PAY

THE SINGER COMPANY
CENTRAL PAYROLL DEPARTMENT
SYOSSET, NEW YORK

No. **288362**

AGENCY	SHOP	EMPL. NO.	EARNINGS			AUTO	TAX DEDUCTIONS				*EBP	*ERP	DATE
			SALARY	OVERTIME	COMM.		FEDERAL	STATE	LOCAL	F.I.C.A.			
326045	35566		8500		968		1488	151		454	136		011069

STATE DISABILITY	STATE MEDICAL	CITY TAX	*STOCK PLAN	S.U.I.	OCC. TAX	PRIZES	GARNISH	*BONDS	OTHER	NET PAY
										*****72.39

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THE SINGER COMPANY
CENTRAL PAYROLL DEPARTMENT
SYOSSET, NEW YORK

No. **336525**

AGENCY	SHOP	EMPL. NO.	EARNINGS			AUTO	TAX DEDUCTIONS				*EBP	*ERP	DATE
			SALARY	OVERTIME	COMM.		FEDERAL	STATE	LOCAL	F.I.C.A.			
326045	35566		9000		1506		1895	172		504	136		020769

STATE DISABILITY	STATE MEDICAL	CITY TAX	*STOCK PLAN	S.U.I.	OCC. TAX	PRIZES	GARNISH	*BONDS	OTHER	NET PAY
										*****77.99

**STATEMENT OF EARNINGS — DETACH
AND RETAIN THIS PORTION FOR YOUR
RECORDS**

336525

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SINGER**NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION****No. 734541**

EMPLOYEE NAME						SOCIAL SECURITY		SALES OFFICE		STORE	EMPLOYEE #	DATE	CHECK#
BETTY FITCH						307308996		32		6045	35566	04/01/72	0734541
BASE PAY		OVERTIME		ADJUSTMENTS		COMMISSION		COMM. ADJ.		TAXABLE PAY		AUTO PAY	
3515		00		00		756		00		4271		00	
TOTAL PAY		4271											
FICA		FED. W/H		STATE TAX		ST		LOCAL TAX		CODE		LOCAL TAX	
222		483		8515									
TOTAL TAX		790											
EBP		ERP		STOCK		BONDS							
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS		00											
OTHER DEDUCTIONS													
TOTAL OTHER													
00													
YTD GROSS		YTD FICA		YTD FED. W/H		YTD STATE TAX		YTD LOCAL TAX		YTD LOCAL TAX		NET PAY	
60355		3140		6062		1206		00		00		3481	

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EXPLANATION OF SALARY ADJUSTMENTS

STATEMENT OF EARNINGS - DETACH AND RETAIN FOR YOUR RECORDS

1966

Jan. 29, 1966	Clare's Standard Service	2.00
Jan. 15	Midwest Aggregates	30.09
Jan. 10	Midwest Aggregates	23.96
Jan. 11	Huntertown Lumber Co.	13.46
Jan. 20	Avilla Feed Mills	11.10
Feb. 1	Wickes Lumber	28.21
Feb. 12	Wickes Lumber	44.92
Feb. 1	Prices's Dairy	15.99
Feb. 15	General Petroleum, Inc.	41.24
March 11	Wickes Lumber	90.29
March 12	Canfield Lumber Co.	11.22
April 16	Midwest Aggregates	28.96
April 3	Wickes Lumber	21.86
April 25	Northcrest Ladies Minor League	4.50
April 12	Clyde Sprague, tax prep	7.50
May 14	Wickes Lumber Co.	72.27
May 31	K-Mart Foods	15.45
May 27	Wickes Lumber Co.	25.79
June 7	Wallen Farm Equipment	75.00
June 11	General Petroleum	61.53
June 23	Wickes Lumber Co.	52.71
June 25	Wickes	90.22
June 30	Golden Dome	4.47
July 13	Dr. Geraldine Baumgartner	5.00
July 25	Wickes	21.57
Aug. 17	Wickes	6.51
Aug. 18	Wickes	40.39
Aug. 27	Wickes	22.06
Sept. 1	Wickes	35.81
Sept. 3	Wickes	16.55
Sept. 28	John's Electric	16.32
Sept. 17	Wickes	24.72
Oct. 8	Wickes	181.60
Oct. 26	Anthony Wayne Electric	55.59
Nov. 4	Wickes	39.22
Nov. 6	Midwest Aggregates	29.82
Nov. 23	Wickes	7.85
Dec. 29	Wickes	53.31
June 8	Prices Dairy	19.50
Aug. 12	Price's	20.12
March 24	General Petroleum	39.56
Nov. 23	Christian Brotherhood Hour	3.98
Dec. 1	Dr. Baumgartner	15.00
Dec. 13	Magnavox	229.50
Nov. 6	Guy K. Brown	35.00
Dec. 22	Carr Bowling Ball Service	24.95
Jan. 24	Bennett of New Haven, jacket	33.06
Oct. 17	Larry Martin	42.00

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1967 ..

Jan 30, 1967	Parkview Memorial Hospital	10.00
Feb. 2	Dr. Lewis W. Knight, Betty	9.00
Feb. 23	Wickes Lumber	21.45
March 13	Dr. Richard B. Jurgens	4.00
March 1	Harry Zuvakos, Varsity Lanes	40.00
April 26	Mrs. Roy Merkling, Pretty Lake	20.00
May 4	Prices's Dairy	17.27
May 29	Wickes Lumber	46.84
June 22	Reuben H. Donnelly Corp.	11.52
June 3	Roy Waters	27.00
June 2	Dr. Priddy, Warren	5.00
June 12	Price's Dairy	19.70
June 5	Dr. Clayton Dunton, Dentist	25.00
July 13	Dr. Max Sneary	5.50
July 12	Irving Ready Mix	55.52
August 4	Stanford Roth, auto	1495.00
August 12	Merkling's Beach	45.00
August 30	The Singer Co.	2.00
August 26	Wickes Lumber	12.24
Sept. 7	Huntertown School	9.95
Sept 11	Huntertown School	8.47
Sept. 7	Huntertown School	10.31
Sept. 7	Huntertown School	10.43
Sept. 14	MAGnavox Management Club	12.00
Sept. 23	Keystone Concrete Inc.	55.54
Dec. 17	Miracle Mart	18.99

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Mr. Robert J. Harding, manager of the new SINGER Sewing Center at Glenbrook Center and his staff of pleasant, congenial helpers wish to welcome everyone to our new store.

From left to right, standing: Mr. John Sutton, Sue Johnson, Elizabeth Coon, Lee Ann Wietfeldt, Mr. Robert J. Harding. Seated: Celeste Benz and Betty Fitch. Not present when picture was taken. Roger Dunlap, Rosella Surface, Doris Rickert and John North.

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During 1966 we put the windows in the upstairs and moved our bedrooms up there. Also put in the electric heat. We had built a small kitchen in the basement and we used that for many years before building the kitchen upstairs. We had an apartment-sized stove that I bought from Stuckeys, or maybe that was Schlatters Hardware. At the time Warren had some ⁱⁿ yet with these wholesale places, probably from Fitch Electric. He still bought things occasionally and fixed things for other people at times.

I had started bowling in Fort Wayne at Northcrest Lanes on Thursday nights. It was probably the winter of 1965 because I can remember driving from Laotto to Northcrest before we moved. Up until that time I had been bowling with the Laotto Top Thirty. I think I thought it was too far to drive back up to Garrett, but I wanted to improve and I probably wouldn't get any better until I began bowling with better bowlers and I guess that did prove to be true. Of course, the kids started to Hunteertown to school that same fall, knowing that we would move before the new year. So I would take them to school or pick them up. I think that sometimes Warren would take them on his way to work too.

John played baseball for Warners in 1966. Family Christmas was at our house that year. Mom and dad and Lois's family were there. Our rec room was paneled but the fireplace was not done. We put the tree in front of the unfinished fireplace and hid it by some left-over plastic curtains. Looks like we still had a real tree this year and Warren had built a pool table that we used for years.

We also got Sparky the first year that we lived in the new house. Doug Price still delivered milk to us a couple times a week. He was our milkman in Laotto also. We put siding on as we could and it was quite a while before we had the dirt mounds around the house knocked down so we could plant. We did plant grass in the lower yard first.

1966
Before Christmas of 1967 we had purchased an artificial tree. We could put it up sooner than a real one and leave it up longer with no worries about it getting too dry to be safe. Besides Warren didn't really like to mess with the trees so I could do it any time that I wanted to. Family Christmas was at Lois's that year. Which brings to mind other things that must have happened that year in ~~1965~~. One was the roller skating party where Carol and I fell and I broke my tailbone. I was off my feet for two or more weeks and then I couldn't life anything most all summer. I missed the last two weeks of bowling and had to sit on an inflated doughnut to go to the banquet. The fall of that year I applied for a job at the Singer Company and got it. Then I went to work full time and we opened the new store at Glenbrook Mall. We one of the first to open in the mall. One of my reasons for going to work was that we had come to a standstill of finishing the house on Warren's paycheck so if I wanted wallpaper, flooring, and cupboards upstairs I would have to help out financially. Besides that, I was becoming a nag because all I could see all day were the things that needed to be done and that I couldn't do and would want

Warren to work all evening after he had worked all day. It was a strain on my nerves to have so much undone so I went to work to earn a little money and to get out of the house. That was a very good thing for me. When I came home at night I was tired too and since I didn't have to look at all that undone stuff all day and was helping instead of hindering, we all felt better. Of course Warren had to help out with the running of the kids to their school activities, etc. But I think for the most part, it was good that I went to work. Cathy had to do most of the cooking and in the type of house we were living in there wasn't a lot of cleaning that had to be done. I always had Thursday off and could do the laundry and heavy cleaning that day. In the spring of 1968 I began to put a regular amount in the Indiana Bank.

My schedule went something like this. Monday I would work from 9 to 6, Tuesday was a repeat of Monday, the on Wednesday I had the morning at home and would have to be at work by noon .. 12 to 9. Thursday I had off and Friday was back to the 12 to 9 hours. Saturday, at first was 9 to 6 because we all worked that day and closed the store at 6 PM. The kids were great about doing what had to be done at home although I find out now that they must have done quite a bit of squabbling among themselves from time to time. I had a lot of energy so it worked out quite well for quite a while.

One of the things that was fun for us girls was when we would have a pattern discard, and I would bring home sacks and sacks of patterns. They did not have any envelopes because we had to send them back but we didn't care. We would empty the sacks and sit around on the floor and write the sizes on them and stash them away. I still have craft patterns that we got then. The girls would use quite a few of those patterns. But we thought that was really fun. We would cut out the picture of the item from old pattern books and wrap it around the pattern and make our own envelope. Now I know that the pattern companies frown on that but at that time we didn't know that it was not the thing to do. Only later when I worked at JoAnns did I see the letter that the manager had to sign saying that the patterns had to be destroyed. At that later date though, we did not send even the envelopes back, and of course, they were afraid that someone would try to sell the patterns and put them out of business. The companies want to bring the pattern back with a higher price. I tried never to sell any of them, but it was harder later on to tell which ones I had purchased and which ones we got for free. By the time that we were in the new house the girls were doing a lot of their own sewing. Often they would cut something out on Saturday morning and sew it up and have it to wear by nightfall.

In 1968, Cathy went to the senior prom with Rick Wies. Larry was a baseball all-star in 1968. They had the tournament at Leo, where I had gone to school. I don't think they won, and seems like there was some kind of dispute about the games. Warren would probably remember better than I.

Some of these events may not be in order and some may be repeated because I am working from different records. Some day I may redo them and get them quite in order, but perhaps I will never take the time to do that. A few I had written and then find that I had the wrong year. Easy to do.

Some of the events of ¹⁹⁶⁶1967 could have gone like this:

One was that we did not have the money to finish the house like I wanted it so I finally decided that I might have to go to work and earn a little money to help out as there wasn't much in the way of carpenter work that I could do. Money was the key at that time.

Started working in 1966

Warren's boss at Magnavox was George Beaver and his wife worked at the Singer Company uptown in Fort Wayne. I had purchased a Touch and Sew Singer machine from her while we were living at Laotto. Warren wanted me to have a better one than the used Free Westinghouse that he had gotten me at Helvey's in Avilla. It did not work very well and Alice Beaver said that I should have a Singer. Of course, she was selling them! So we did and I am still using it in 1995. Anyway, because of her, and the fact that they were asking for employees to open the new Glenbrook store in the fall, I went in one day and applied for the job. Whether it was because I knew Alice or not, Mr. Harding called me and said I had the job if I wanted it. It was not really sure if my tailbone would behave for me to stand on my feet all day or not, but I took the leap. It was still sore at times, but more so when I would sit a lot.

I had training at the downtown store. Alice was not going to Glenbrook but I trained with a group that would for 2 or 3 weeks. So I learned how to sell sewing machines, and cut fabric and all that was included. And in the fall of 1967 when Glenbrook was just opening, we opened our Singer store close to Ayres. I think that at that time only the Ayres store and Walgreens and maybe a couple more were open. Eventually we had Patterson Fletcher, Hillman's, Maier's Men's Store. I am not sure now when Sears opened but at that time the Pennys area was just parking lot.

We opened the store with Mr. Harding as the boss, several men who were salesmen and went out in the homes to sell machines, a fabric manager, Doris Rickart, Sewing teacher Rosella Surface from Leo, Celest Benz, star saleslady, and Elizabeth Coon that got hired the same day I did and we started the same day.

We helped to set up the store in Glenbrook and were there on opening day for the big blowout and even had our picture put in the paper. We went through several managers, bookkeepers, and other personnel but Celeste and Elizabeth stayed through it all. I was there 9 years but the last few were part time. Then in 1975 I quit altogether for about 6 years and then went back and was there when we switched to JoAnns. Anyway, it gave us some extra money to put up wallboard and to paper and get some appliances and carpeting, etc. As well as kept

us in fabric and patterns for all of our clothing. So the girls learned to be good seamstresses too.

By Christmas 1967 we were getting pretty fancy. This year I finally decided that I was tired of those droopy trees that Warren would growl about having to cut off the bottoms to make them stand evenly (and it seldom happened!) so I broke down and purchased an artificial tree. Then I could put it up early or any time without his help and not worry about it drying out and maybe starting on fire. I had at least one pretty corner decorated for Christmas.

We had put down asphalt tile on the floor and tiled the ceiling by this year. We were still using the downstairs kitchen and did for quite a while. We had purchased an apartment-size stove for the downstairs kitchen when we moved in and it always baked better than any big stove I ever had!

According to the pictures of this Christmas I am wearing a purple suit made of linen that I had made for work. This suit was completely lined including the skirt and that was a big thing then. We always lined our skirts to keep them from cupping. We did go to Lois's that year for our family Christmas. A note here to say that we usually went to my folks for a family Christmas because Warren's folks did not celebrate Christmas very heavily. Except for putting up a tree and an occasional gift that was about all of the celebration they had. They did not buy for the kids but we would stop by sometime over the Christmas season. If they gave, it usually was something for the whole family like a little money, which in those days was always welcome!! We just did not plan a holiday celebration at their house. No wonder Warren was never very Christmas "oriented". It didn't mean much for him at home when he was a boy.

I thought my Christmas spot was beautiful! The tree so perfect in shape and my commode all waxed and decorated with Christmas towels and a bowl of pinecones and a wreath made out of red fringe balls, new wood paneling on the walls.

1968

1-1	Standard Land	45.00
1-1	Maxine Dennis, bowling	8.50
1-11	St. Joe Hospital, Warren	57.25
1-29	Lake Ave. X-ray Center	8.00
1-29	Associated Anesthesiologists	30.00
2-1	car license plates	25.00
2-7	Betty gas	3.00
2-20	C.S. Giffin, Warren	110.00
2-20	St. Joe Hospital, Warren	19.50
2-20	McCall Magazine	1.88
2-20	Allen County Motors	4.95
3-11	Dr. Priddy, Cathy	6.00
3-13	Family Circle, maps	2.00
3-13	Dr. Priddy, John	6.00
3-13	Old Fort Industries	15.59
4-24	Dr. Priddy, Larry	6.00
4-24	Dr. Priddy, x-ray, Larry	6.00
4-29	Dr. Priddy, John	4.00
5-1	Russ Hall, Landscaping	190.00
5-1	A & P, groceries	22.00
5-16	Standard Land, prop. taxes	169.72
5-24	Spinning Wheel magazine	4.50
5-23	Mont.Ward, wallpaper	7.84
6-1	Standard Land	45.00
6-1	Allstate Insurance	58.50
6-1	Sears Roebuck	20.00
6-1	Mont. Ward.	10.00
6-14	Community State Bank	50.00
6-15	REMC	41.41
6-15	General Telephone	5.33
6-15	Prices Dairy	10.00
6-15	A.D. Rehder, Journal Gazette	6.50
6-15	Workbench magazine	2.00
7-6	ReamSteckbeck	22.29
7-6	White Swan Grocery	3.11
7-20	Popular Mechanics	4.00
7-22	Tile Center	11.15
7-29	Midwest	27.56
7-29	X-rays for Warren	40.00
7-29	Warren prescription Univsity Pk.	17.00
8-2	AlliedRadio	12.35
8-9	Huntertown Grain and Lumber	18.26
8-16	White Swan Grocery	22.21
8-16	Pembleton Labs	30.75
8-26	University Park, Warren	15.70
8-26	Dr. Priddy, Warren	6.00
8-31	Walgreens, Larry	3.42
9-10	Carroll High, Cathy	10.01
9-10	Carroll High, Carol	8.52
9-10	Huntertown School, John	12.50
9-10	HuntertownSchool, Larry	12.50
9-27	Greystone Press, book	3.35
10-4	Huntertown Grain and Lumber	70.15

10-5	White Swan Grocery	27.09
10-7	Sears Roebuck	20.00
10-8	Sears Roebuck, Warren glasses	6.63
10-8	Sears Roebuck, order	7.60
10-17	Ft. Wayne Radiology	30.00
10-17	Dr. Stucky, John	7.00
11-1	Mutual Security Life Ins. Warren	35.58
11-1	Dr. Priddy, John	6.00
11-20	Walgreen Drugs, Warren	9.50
11-23	Don Irvin	5.00
12-5	Sears Roebuck	75.95
12-6	Singer Company	21.53
12-15	White Swan Hardware	5.71
12-15	A & P	9.96
12-15	Lois Mueller	14.00
12-26	Maxine Dennis, bowling	9.00
12-28	Time Life Books	9.22

1968 ..

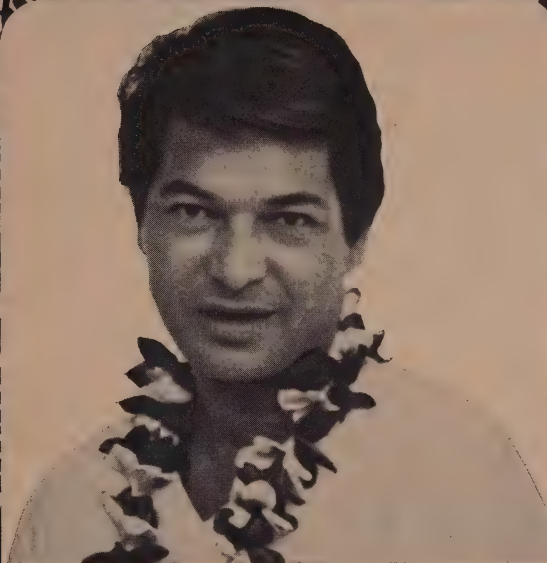
Jan. 29	Associated Anesthesiologists	30.00
Jan. 4	Maxine Dennis, bowling	8.50
Jan. 11	St. Joseph Hospital	57.25
Jan. 29	Midwest Aggregates	31.54
Feb. 20	St. Joe Hospital	19.50
Feb. 20	C. S. Giffin, MD	110.00
March 28	Old Fort Industries	15.59
April 30	Russell Hall	190.00
May 16	General Telephone	5.33
May 24	Spinning Wheel Magazine	4.50
June 16	REMC	41.41
June 14	A. D. Rehder, Journal Gazette	6.50
July 20	Popular Mechanics	4.00
July 29	Midwest Aggregates	27.56
July 18	Wickes Lumber	9.33
July 23	Tile Center	11.15
July 30	Ream Steckbeck	40.15
July 11	Ream Steckbeck	22.29
July 2	Ream STeckbeck	20.00
Aug. 31	Journal Gazette	6.50
Aug. 10	Price's Dairy	9.84
Aug. 10	Whitley Co. REMC	22.44
Aug. 1	Wickes Lumber	29.21
Sept. 27	University Park Pharmacy	3.85
Sept. 27	Dr. Priddy, Warren	6.00
Sept. 27	Price's Dairy	10.00
Sept. 27	Journal Gazette	2.60
Sept. 9	REMC	17.09
Sept. 10	Huntertown School, John	12.50
Sept. 10	Carroll High School, Cathy	10.01
Sept. 10	Huntertown School, Larry	12.50
Sept. 10	Carroll High School, Carol	8.52
Sept. 9	A & P Grocery	6.94
Oct. 7	REMC	19.07
Oct. 7	Price's Dairy	9.00
Oct. 17	Dr. Stucky	7.00
Oct. 22	A & P Grocery	2.03
Oct. 15	General Telephone	5.33
Oct. 15	Journal Gazette	1.60
Oct. 31	Standard Land, property taxes	169.72
Oct. 5	Huntertown Grain and Lumber	70.15
Nov. 1	Standard Land Corp	45.00
Nov. 6	Dr. Priddy	6.00
Nov. 4	A & P Grocery	6.12
Dec. 6	The Singer Company	21.53



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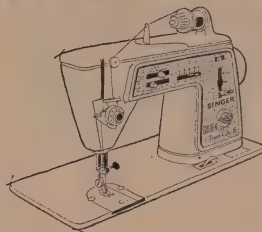
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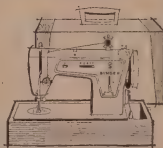
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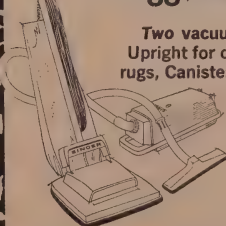
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SUMMER CUTTINGS

By JOAN LEE FAUST

TO MANY AMATEURS, the propagation of woody plants by rooting summer cuttings sounds like a highly technical botanical achievement. But, truly, it is as easy as raising plants from seed. The secret of success is timing. The woody stems must be at just the right degree of maturity to assure proper root formation.

A cutting is a piece of a plant, usually a terminal shoot, that is inserted in a moist medium until it roots. When rooted, the new plant will grow to be exactly like its parent. Many professional nurserymen rely on cuttings to increase a particularly attractive species that may be hard to grow from seed.

One important aspect to keep in mind: The plants you want to multiply must be of good quality. Choose only those that are attractive and well-flowered or of some landscaping use. You may find them on your own property, or you may turn to a neighbor for cuttings of a fine plant you've admired in her yard.

Most deciduous shrubs (those that lose their leaves in winter) are propagated in summer; needled evergreens, in late fall or winter. Our project will confine itself to those plants that you can propagate this summer.

Before starting, you should understand a little of how a shrub grows. Growth begins in spring as soon as the ground is warm. This initial thrust is rapid because there is abundant rainfall and good sunshine. The growth will be soft and succulent. In many instances you can push your fingernail right through the new wood. Few cuttings taken at this stage, with the possible exception of lilacs, will root.

Shrub growth slows by early summer, and the rest of the growing season will be spent in maturing, or hardening, the new wood that has been formed. When this new growth is somewhere between the succulent and mature stages, it is right for making cuttings.

Some professional propagators refer to this kind of wood as greenwood. You can tell if it's ready—it will have a spring and suppleness to it. The stems will bend easily. Hard mature wood,

1968

This year I was still bowling on Thursday Night Ladies League at Northcrest with Maxine Dennis.

One of the episodes that we went through was that Warren would choke on some food, usually a piece of meat. His throat would lock up some way and he couldn't get it up or down and one of the times this happened was when he was having steak with some of his people from work. I don't remember whether it was at work or if this was at a meal they were having, but probably at noon because for some reason they could not get me at home. It must have been on a Thursday, as that was the day I was usually at home and it was the day I was to bowl at Northcrest. I do remember that. So since they could not reach me by phone, Ralph Relue came out and told me what had happened. The kids were not yet home from school but as soon as they came, I went right to the hospital. I was scared but from what was said knew that it was not fatal. By the time I got there they had removed it by going in after it, not with surgery, but by some other means. So he was able to go home that night but it was late. I called the kids to say that everything was OK and also called Maxine Dennis at Northcrest to say that I could not be there to bowl. Warren thought that I was never coming but right now, I don't know why I couldn't be reached by phone but it was about 4:00 before they got to me. We list paying the doctor and the hospital in January, but I cannot be sure this didn't happen in December. All I know was that it was on Thursday and about what time it was as the kids were due back from school about then. Apparently the Doctor that took care of Warren was the same ear, nose, and throat specialist that we had for Larry as the name was Dr. Giffen. And he had gone to St. Joe Hospital.

In April Larry had an X-ray also but am not sure what for. Russ Hall came and dug around our foundation because we were having some leaking in the basement after a hard rain and so we were going to put in some more drains around the foundation on that side which was the North side of the house.

We were still paying Standard Land \$45 each month on the land.

I subscribed to such magazines as McCall, Spinning Wheel, Workbench, though this may have been for Larry. Yes, and Popular Mechanics and I am sure this was for Larry. I wasn't interested in mechanics!

I wrote checks for Cathy and Carol to Carroll High School and for John and Larry for Hunteertown so though I did not have a date for this year, I now have it. Cathy would have to be a junior, Carol a freshman, John in the 8th grade and Larry in the 7th. This was in September so the year was 1968.

1968 In August of 1968 Larry was in the All Star Tourney that was played at Leo. I don't remember a lot about it but there was some sort of controversy. Some of Larry's friends that played were Terry Schlatter, Donny Blessing, Cork Houser. Larry was a really good ball player, hitter and all but he was small and never got big enough while still in school to profit by his natural talent. He lacked the strength that size gave some of the boys.

Christmas 1968 We had family Christmas at our house this year. Polyester knits were beginning to be all the rage for our dresses and I have on a beautiful pink one that had embossed designs. It was one of the fabrics that we sold. This year Cathy does have on a red velveteen. She wore that red one 2 years ago and I doubt that it is the same dress but in 1995 I am not sure. At least she has different collar and cuffs on this one. Carol is wearing her Scotch plaid skirt that she fastened with a big gold safety pin which was the style at that time. We sold the pins at Singers. This year we could all gather around the fireplace, which was Warren's masterpiece. He also had put up bookshelves between the fireplace and the closet. I had salvaged some legs from an old buffet which we used as spacers between the shelves.

July 1968 Greenfield Village

On July 31, 1968 we started out about 7 am and drove our Ford Falcon on 69 to Marshall, Michigan. Then on to Dearborn, Michigan. The weather was partly cloudy, and warm, but not hot. As we reached Greenfield Village about lunch time we were hungry so stopped under the big trees to have malts purchased at the Ford Museum's outside window. Then on to Greenfield Village. There were many, many people there to begin with but it thinned out later on. They may have been exhausted as there are 96 buildings to see or visit!!

Henry Ford's birthplace. Had to stand in line to see this. They had a cow and chickens in the orchard next to the house. We were able to go through this home.

The Edsel Ford Workshop and 58 Bagley Avenue. The machine shops were all equipped with many large tools and machines.

There were clock shops and jewelry shops. One of these had the oldest clock and watch in the world. Some in the 1600's. And many tall grandfather clocks.

This was an extremely interesting place to visit and we needed more time. At least I did except that we were tired before the day was over. The ideal way would be to spend the night there and see the village one day and see the museum the next. There is just too much to see.

I have pictures of Sir John Bennett's Jewelry Shop, The Noah Webster House, Magill Jewelry Store, Henry Ford's birthplace, Cape Cod Windmill, Heinz House, Martha-Mary Chapel.

The very most interesting house to me was the Plympton House. This was a house from Massachusetts built in 1638 in Sudbury, Mass. I could have moved right in but suppose the rest of the family would want to get back to Indiana and the 20th century! Other interesting things would be the Cotswold house from England.

We also spent a good many hours in the Henry Ford Museum which is set apart from the Village. So many interesting displays and antiques to look at. They boys liked this as there was a lot of old machinery and cars and airplanes, etc. I liked the dishes, tables, old butter churns, and household stuff that was used ages ago.

I also found a gift and book shop that I wanted to buy one of everything. I remember buying a couple books or booklets, but right now I can't remember which I bought.



Greenfield
Village
Aug 1968

Martha-Mary
Chapel



Heine House



Henry Ford
Birthplace



Magill Jewelry Store



Noah Webster
House
Cathy, Carol, John
+ Larry



The Fitches in front
of the Sir John
Bennett Jewelry Shop



Cape Cod Windmill



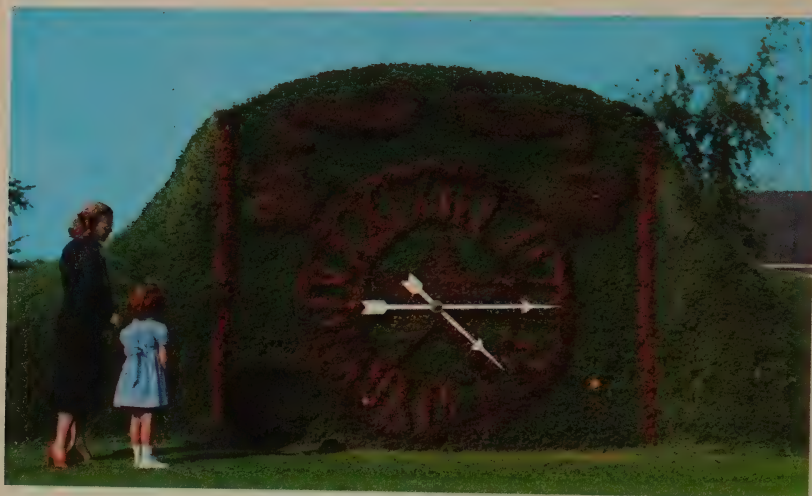
Sir John Bennett Jewelry Shop



Rose Cottage, Greenfield Village



The Dining Room, Secretary House, Greenfield Village



Floral Clock, Greenfield Village



Waterford General Store, Greenfield Village



The Plympton House, Greenfield Village



General Store, Greenfield Village



Lincoln's Death Chair, Greenfield Village



The Decorative Arts Galleries, Henry Ford Museum



GUIDEBOOK



HENRY FORD MUSEUM

A GUIDE BOOK FOR THE HENRY FORD MUSEUM

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DEARBORN, MICHIGAN



Entrance Gates, Village Road, Dearborn

THE EDISON INSTITUTE

TWO hundred acres at Dearborn, Michigan, have been set aside for an educational project which reflects the ideas of its founder, Henry Ford. The name "*Edison*" typifies the spirit of the institution. Mr. Ford has named it after his friend *Thomas A. Edison*, who has been an inspiration to him and many others in his untiring work. Serving the institute is a *museum* which is really a textbook of human and technical history. The *museum* is intended to minister to the student type of mind; that is, its purpose is primarily educational.

Adjoining the Museum on the east is *Greenfield Village*. Here the handicraft arts of the past are presented as they were practised in their original environment of public buildings and residences, which in their turn illustrate the development of architectural types.

Strangers often ask what prompted Mr. Ford to honor the memory of Edison. A brief answer is that Mr. Ford

holds him to have been our greatest American. Edison was also the first man to encourage him in his development of the motor car.

After going to Detroit from his Dearborn farm, Henry Ford worked his way up to the position of chief engineer of The Edison Illuminating Company of Detroit. On August 12, 1896, he attended an Edison convention at the old Oriental Hotel at Manhattan Beach, New York. There he made Edison's acquaintance, and was pointed out by Alex Dow of The Edison Company as the "young fellow who has made a gas car." Edison immediately became interested, and Mr. Ford was motioned to sit next to him and explain the gas engine and the car in detail. After a series of questions, which Ford answered, Edison brought his fist down on the table with a bang and said:

"Young man, that's the thing. You have it! Your car is self-contained and carries its own power plant."

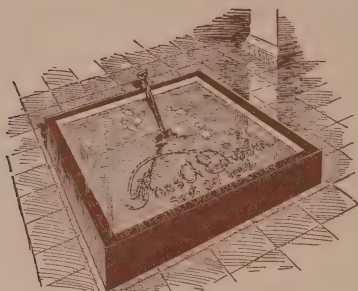
"That bang on the table," said Mr. Ford, "was worth worlds to me."

Thus began a lifelong friendship between those two men that is memorialized in *The Edison Institute* and the *Menlo Park* compound. Both are a tribute of respect and admiration for Edison's life and work, and at the same time they cast the spell of Edisonian inspiration over all who enter their doors.



THE MUSEUM





Museum Cornerstone

THE MUSEUM

THE front buildings which the visitor sees as he approaches the main entrance of the Henry Ford Museum are architectural reproductions of Independence Hall, Congress Hall and the old City Hall, of Philadelphia. As the visitor passes through the entrance lobby, on his right and left are chambers duplicating the two in Independence Hall—that on the right the room in which the Declaration of Independence was signed; that on the left the Supreme Court Chamber.

Directly ahead, inclosed by a glass case, is the “cornerstone”. It was dedicated on September 27, 1928, when Thomas Alva Edison, to symbolize the union of Industry and Agriculture, thrust the spade of Luther Burbank into the wet cement; then imprinted his footsteps and inscribed his name and the date, leaving in the concrete a

memorial for all time. Around this "cornerstone" has been erected the building which houses the collections.

LIGHT'S GOLDEN JUBILEE

During the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the invention of his first practical incandescent lamp, October 21, 1929, the front portion of the Museum, consisting of the two front chambers and the arcade to the left, was the scene of a formal banquet. Prominent persons from all parts of the world attended. The chambers were lighted by candles in the Colonial chandeliers until after the invention of the lamp had been re-enacted, after which the electric lights were switched on in the Museum for the first time. Events of the evening were broadcast to hundreds of thousands of listeners.

GENERAL PLAN OF EXHIBITS

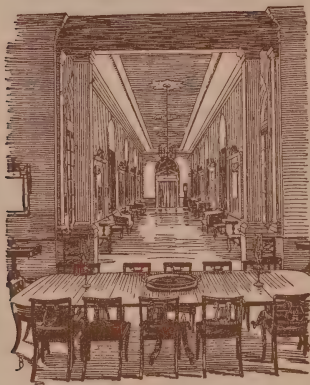
The Museum is divided into three main sections:

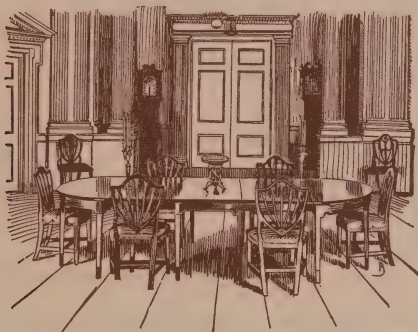
The Fine Arts Galleries, along the front, contain American decorative arts.

The Street of Early American Shops, along the front section of the Mechanical Arts Hall, consists of 22 diverse and completely equipped shops.

The Mechanical Arts Hall—covering an area of 8 acres—consists of exhibits divided into 7 major sections: Agriculture, Crafts, Industrial Machinery, Steam and Electric Power, Communications, Illumination, and Transportation.

FINE ARTS



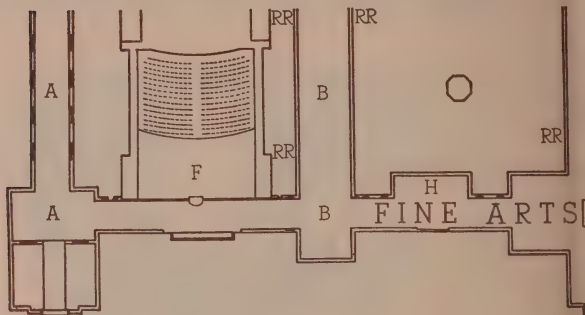


FINE ARTS

EXHIBITS in the Fine Arts collections, including furniture, ceramics, silver, glassware, clocks and watches, occupy the front corridors and chambers, together with the adjoining rooms, wall cases and alcoves.

Arcades connect with reproductions of old City Hall in Philadelphia on the right and left, and Congress Hall at each end of the facade, while corridors, themselves serving as exhibition halls, connect all these units with the great exhibition hall at the rear. Opening on the arcade at the left is the Museum Theater, which serves as a center for lectures and discussions relative to the activities and programs of the Museum and Village, including the presentations of a continuing series of historical old-time motion pictures. On the right are the cafeterias and offices.

FLOOR PLAN OF FINE ARTS SECTION



WEST HALF OF FRONT FACADE

Corridors "A", "B", and "C", lead from the front chambers and arcades to the main exhibition hall in the rear of the building, shown on a floor plan on pages 26 and 27.

The right edge of the section pictured above rests on the central corridor "C" leading from the main entrance, with its lobby and the cornerstone, toward the exhibition hall.

Left of the cornerstone is the reproduction of the Supreme Court chamber. Its exhibits are described on page 15.

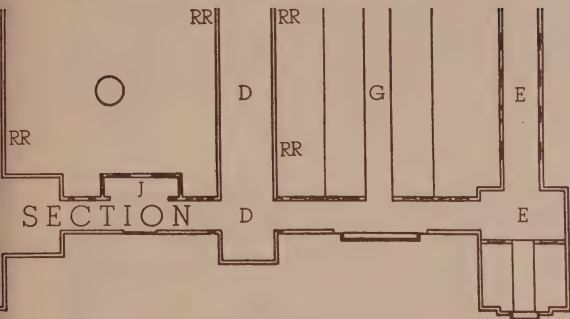
The exhibits in the left facade, stretching from the Supreme Court chamber along the arcade, are described on page 15. The wall recess indicated by "H" in the floor plan above is described on page 16.

"B" corridor begins at the chamber reproducing the old City Hall in Philadelphia, described at the bottom of page 16. Adjacent is the room containing the John Rogers statuette collection described on page 17. Exhibits in the corridor itself are also described on page 17.

"F" indicates the Museum Theatre.

"A" corridor begins with the Congress Hall chamber and its colonial exhibits described on page 18. Exhibits in "A" corridor leading back to the main exhibition hall are described on page 19.

THE HENRY FORD MUSEUM



EAST HALF OF FRONT FACADE.

The left edge of the section shown above rests on "C" corridor, with the entrance lobby of the Museum, and the cornerstone.

Directly at the right of the cornerstone is the reproduction of the chamber where the Declaration of Independence was signed. Exhibits in this chamber are described on page 19.

Stretching east from this chamber toward corridor "D" is an arcade and recess "J" whose exhibits are described on pages 19 and 20.

"D" corridor commences at the City Hall chamber whose exhibits are described on page 21, and extends back to the main exhibition hall.

The corridor indicated by "G" marks the entrance to the cafeterias, classrooms, and offices.

"E" corridor begins at the Congress Hall chamber, with its Duncan Phyfe collection, as described on page 23, and extends back to the main hall. Exhibits along this corridor and those in the adjoining rooms are explained on page 23.

"RR" indicates location of restrooms.

There are some 700 pieces of furniture in the museum collections which go back to the European sources of inspiration (Chippendale, Sheraton, Hepplewhite and others), carry through to modern times and are representative of the craftsmanship of the early American masters—Savery of Philadelphia, Johnson of Salem, Goddard of Newport, and Phyfe of New York.

CENTRAL UNIT

The central unit, left and right of the Edison cornerstone, is given over almost entirely to Philadelphia Chippendale furniture—many pierced-splat chairs selected to display a wide range of construction and decorative treatments, chests-of-drawers, secretary-bookcases, fold-top card tables, knee-hole desks and a bible chest. The cases of four scroll-top grandfather clocks in the two rooms are the work of Philadelphia cabinetmakers.

In the entrance lobby, and in the corridor leading from the cornerstone back toward the main exhibition hall, other Chippendale pieces may be viewed. In the former, a fine walnut highboy and a block-front mahogany desk are exhibited. Lowboys of the same period, and a grandfather clock case, are on the staircase landings, which are likewise graced with mirrors. On the first landing is a girandole mirror with gilt frame and eagle treatment, balanced on the opposite side of the archway by an unusual round wall clock.

A Washington Memorial Statuette of bronze and marble on a base with a cameo-work plaque is on the desk in the entrance lobby. The label reads:

WASHINGTON

First in WAR, First in PEACE

First in the HEARTS of HIS COUNTRYMEN

In the corridor leading back from the cornerstone, examples of Sheraton and Hepplewhite furniture are included, as well as those of Chippendale previously mentioned. Also in this corridor are four cast-lead statuettes representing the seasons by their garb. Another bust, placed on a pedestal in the recess, was done in white

marble by Augustus Saint-Gaudens, and is of the former United States Senator from Michigan, James MacMillan.

Ceramic pieces on the shelves of the secretary desks in this corridor include pictorial dishware by Enoch Wood, red transfer printed Staffordshire plates, and Bennington lions. There are, as well, mirrors and old barometers hanging on the walls.

In the center of the Supreme Court chamber, currency of various types, including Continental, American postage, and Confederate States is displayed in a glass case. Here also are documents bearing the autographs of Presidents Washington, Jefferson and Monroe.

Other exhibits in the Central Units include plaster portrait busts by Jean Antoine Houdon, of George Washington and Benjamin Franklin, set on pedestal bases.

EXHIBITS, LEFT FACADE

Along the arcades extending to the left of the Central Unit, furniture exhibits trace back chronologically from Chippendale through the Queen Anne, William-and-Mary, and finally Early American colonial periods. In the corridors leading from the arcades to the main hall are exhibits which fit in with these periods.

Wall cases and recess exhibits in the left facade follow a chronology-by-date arrangement, commencing with famous Old-World ceramic pieces, approximately coinciding with the date of the Independence Hall furnishings, and emerging into later American works in glassware, fans, toile ware, toy banks, ceramics, and bottle glass.

Individual furniture groups along the South wall in the first arcade beyond the Central Unit include a Chippendale suite of chairs and high-back sofa, two block-front secretaries with claw-and-ball feet, and a Duncan Phyfe suite of lion-foot chairs and rolled-end sofa.

The first of the wall cases set in the north wall of this arcade displays selected imported porcelains and earthenwares from the last half of the 18th century—including colorful Chelsea-Derby porcelain cups and saucers, two handsome Crocus Pots made in Paris, France, exquisite Crown-Derby ware, lovely Thomas Whieldon type ware from Staffordshire, and a pair of brilliantly colored Worcester covered baskets with trays.

A case of imported statuettes follows: these are bright mantelpiece and knick-knack specimens of universally renowned factories at Staffordshire, Burslem, Stratford-Le-Bow, and Dresden.

Adjacent to this case, the wall is recessed into a nook containing five wall cases and a floor case exhibiting selected imported tea and service sets illustrating a wide range of techniques of noted pottery works. In the glass-topped floor-case are several exquisite tea sets of china and one or two service pieces. Factories represented are: Lowestoft; Canton, China; Staffordshire; Swansea, Wales; and Stockton-on-Tees. The various wares include English and oriental porcelains, fragile pink lustres, deep-toned Wedgwood earthenware, and bright slip-decorated earthenware. A widely known work here is the Dr. Syntax Plate made at Staffordshire about 1825. From left to right around the wall cases the groups include imported armorial tea and coffee services—Worcester porcelain, Lowestoft soft paste, an historical China set made in Paris bearing the United States coat-of arms, Davenport porcelain, and Staffordshire silver-resist Lustre ware.

Beyond the recess the first of the remaining four wall cases in this arcade corresponds with the selection on the other side of the arch, with ceramic statuettes including a "Prudence" and a "Fortitude" by Wedgwood, Chelsea-Derby, and delicate Leeds Ware.

Shelves of intricately composed opera fans, and dainty cases fill the case beyond.

The last of the cases along the north wall of this arcade is balanced across the floor by a case in the south wall. Both are arranged with a fine selection of American Pressed Glass. The shelves display rich ambers, lavenders, and purples, interspersed with many choice lacy patterns.

Among specimens of American craftsmanship gathered along the south wall are two framed silhouette groups by John Beale Bordley, two Constitution mirrors of the late 18th century, a Charles Goedes bracket clock with fusee mechanism, and a grandfather clock.

The section filled with Queen Anne and William-and-Mary furniture centers in the City Hall chamber, and includes a rare oval-top Queen Anne dining table with a set of six chairs and equally rare William-and-Mary highboy,

lowboy, and slant-top desk. Finely molded vase and fiddle-splat side-chairs of walnut and maple and two daybeds are included in this first group, while highboys and chairs of the period line the walls of the corridor leading back towards the main exhibition hall. Halfway down this corridor opens into an alcove on either side where are located one or two pieces of note. One is a Tudor style bedstead reputed to have been made for Queen Anne's visit to the palace of the first Lord Poulett. Another is a Flemish style armchair made in New England.

Several William-and-Mary highboys are also in the corridor. Of particular interest in this collection are two lowboys facing each other across the corridor—one a Queen Anne with drop-pendants, the other a William-and-Mary with waved, diagonal stretchers.

Several wall mirrors in the American Queen Anne style, a pair of giant spider-web glass candle sconces with scalloped edges, and an American hooked rug enhance the walls. An English epergne of silver made by Paul Storr centers the oval dining table.

Opening off the southeast corner of the City Hall chamber is a room in which are displayed a collection of statuettes by John Rogers, the well-known American sculptor, depicting many typical American scenes. Among them is the "council of War" group, which shows President Lincoln seated, with General Grant and Secretary Stanton standing beside his chair.

Rogers' groups were the ideal family gift of the day. Although he studied briefly under an English sculptor he cast aside the classical restrictions, deciding to render interpretations of humbler, earthier subjects which were his own heritage. The first work "Checker Players" was well received by the public, though not particularly by critics, as was the second work "The Auction." This encouraged Rogers to open a studio in New York, just before the Civil War, and he flourished through the War era winning completely the fancy of both the North and South. The war groups are undeniably his best works; the general masterful grouping in all his works and impartial genius of portrayal won for him the title of Master Philosopher of the Mid-Victorian Era. Unfortunately the materials of the clay reproductions which were made from bronze casts of his originals were poor in

quality both of the clay and of the putty-colored paint, and eventually directions and even vials for restoration were obtainable in the event the paint scaled or the figures were chipped.

In the last of the front arcades extending to the left are a number of Sheraton pieces which, while not in chronological position, balance the arrangement at the other end of the front section—sideboard, colonnade-back chairs, sewing tables, and a fold-top table, besides two rush-bottom 19th century painted chairs of the Hitchcock type.

There are, besides, a set of four carved Chippendale chairs here, three early lowboys, and a well turned early American desk-on-frame.

Wall cases contain a tea set by Josiah Spode II and shelves of vari-colored Tole ware. Two cases of mechanical toy banks illustrate the 19th century endeavor to make saving more attractive to children.

On the walls are several mirrors, two of them being English Queen Anne types. Barometers and banjo clocks, one by Aaron Willard, also hang from the wall.

COLONIAL SECTION

The Congress Hall chamber contains Colonial furniture, including many rare pieces, such as the bridal chests and the trestle-table.

Among the general home furnishings of the Early American home shown here are: Early American chests, chairs, corner cupboards, Carver armchair, Sunflower chest, Hadley chest, rush-seated children's chairs, cradles, and great mixing bowls.

On the wall are small mirrors, and examples of Early American bulls-eye and leaded window glass.



The wall cases display, among other things, horn spoons and goblets, wooden mortars and pestles, butter molds, trenchers, and pewter ware. Lining the walls of the corridor leading from here to the main exhibition hall are a variety of Windsor chairs, blanket chests, gate-leg tables, butterfly-table, tavern table, Windsor writing chair, and cobbler's bench.

Wall cases portray American ceramic and glass making arts. Parian ware, with a texture often mistaken for Wedgwood, composes one case. Other groups are: Gaudy Dutch earthenware, early American earthenware jars, flint enamel ware from the Bennington, Vermont works, and slip-decorated pottery. The two cases of American glass bottles and flasks include many of the celebrated historical patterns such as the masonic eagle, railroad flask, Jenny Lind bottle, violin flask, barrel bottle, log cabin and other whisky, bitters, and pickle bottles.

EXHIBITS, RIGHT FACADE

The arcades and corridors east (or right) of the corner-stone house furniture exhibits tracing from Chippendale through the later periods of Sheraton and Hepplewhite, and ending with that of Duncan Phyfe.

The right chamber corresponds to that in Independence Hall in which the Declaration of Independence was signed. In its center is a glass case, in which are displayed autographed letters and pictures of the man for whom The Edison Institute was named, Thomas Alva Edison. On pedestal bases against the north wall are an interesting pair of Oriental Porcelain urns, specially ordered from China by members of the Winthrop family in Massachusetts.

East of the Central Unit, with its Chippendale examples, an arcade leads to the right, wherein may be viewed Chippendale chairs and a high-back sofa, two rare Hepplewhite pieces, as well as a Duncan Phyfe suite of chairs and sofa.

Wall cases and recess exhibits in the right facade trace the arts of the timepiece maker, silversmith, potter, and glass maker, displaying sand-glasses, American and European silverware, English, Oriental, and American ceramic objects, and cases of domestic and imported glass-

ware. The European objects competed with domestic products on the American markets.

Sun-dials and sand-glasses are arrayed on the shelves of the first wall case set in the north wall of this arcade. All types of timed-glasses may be seen, from three-minute to one-hour duration. Several sundials, including pocket types are on the lower shelves.

Beyond is another wall case of selected Sheffield Plate candleholders and table pieces made by fusing copper and silver—an English process of the seventeen forties which continued into the early eighteen hundreds.

The nook a few feet down the corridor corresponds with the one in the west section, set with five wall cases and a floor case with glass top. In the latter are selected sets of American and European tableware—knives, forks, spoons, ladles, and porringers from the 17th, 18th, and early 19th centuries. Celebrated American silversmiths represented are: Mathias Lamar—Philadelphia; Joseph Clark—Danbury; Benjamin Benjamin—New Haven; Samuel Edwards—Boston; William Roe—Kingston; William Cowell—Boston; William Moulton—Newburyport; and others. European silversmiths include John Power of Dublin, and P. & W. Bateman of London.

The first of the wall cases from left to right displays selected 18th century objects by London and Dublin silversmiths—caster sets, tankards, kettle and brazier, tea caddies and tea services, candlesticks, and a miniature silver set.

In the next case are American tankards, beakers, mugs, cups, pitchers, cruet stand, porringers, and several pieces once owned by George and Martha Washington. Approximately 25 American silversmiths are represented, among them the versatile Paul Revere. These are 17th, 18th, and 19th century objects.

The following case is also representative of American silversmith names and objects, principally creamers, pots, and bowls of three centuries, while the next case displays New York, Boston, Rhode Island, and Philadelphia works, featuring a coffee pot and two casters by Revere. The last case in the nook contains choice English silverware made in London—a pepper pot set, muffineer, and a set of Apostle spoons.

Beyond the recess, the remaining four wall cases in the arcade each represent a phase of ceramic art. First are icy, glistening enamel ware perfume vials, lidded boxes, and candlesticks, hand decorated by the transfer print process. Such pieces were turned out between 1750 and 1850 by Staffordshire and Battersea works in England.

Josiah Wedgwood's prime achievements in cream colored "Queen's Ware" and fine textured "Jasper Ware" compose the next case. A copy of the celebrated "Portland Vase" occupies the center of this collection.

The last case in the north wall of this arcade, and one across the floor in the south wall, are both arranged with selections of 18th and early 19th century hard paste Oriental Lowestoft which found a receptive American market at the close of the Revolutionary War.

Among specimens of American craftsmanship gathered along the south wall are three framed silhouette groups by John Beale Bordley, two late eighteenth century Hepplewhite mirrors, a Philadelphia bracket clock, two great porcelain caddies, and a grandfather clock by Aaron Willard of Boston.

The adjoining chamber, City Hall, contains the main Hepplewhite and Sheraton groups. These include a three-part dining table, shield-back chairs, and chests-of-drawers. The corridor leading back to the exhibition hall displays Hepplewhite French-foot secretary-desks, fold-top tables, sideboards, tilt-top tables, and Sheraton and Hepplewhite chairs.

Several Hepplewhite style wall mirrors, tapestries, samplers and a painting of George Washington in military dress, grace the walls of the corridor. An Oriental porcelain bowl of huge dimensions and elaborately decorated centers the dining table in the chamber, flanked by Sheffield Plate candlesticks. An Oriental urn, Hepplewhite urn-shaped knife-boxes, and a pink-lustre tea set on the shelves of a secretary-bookcase further enhance the corridor exhibits.

Opening off the northwest corner of the City Hall chamber is a room in which an interesting collection of shelf clocks has been arranged—steeple type, grandmothers, miniature grandfathers and the like representative of Silas Parsons, Ruben Tower, Joshua Wilder, David Williams, Eli Terry, John Sawin, Birge & Fuller, C. & L.

C. Ives, and others. A center case displays jeweler's lathes and tools.

Beyond this chamber is an arcade with Hepplewhite shield-back and interlaced-heart-back chairs, and Sheraton fold-top tables. Hepplewhite secretaries and chests-of-drawers are also exhibited, interspersed with a number of green and yellow arrow-back chairs which balance the collection of Hitchcocks at the other end of the building. The Duncan Phyfe collection begins near the end of this arcade with sewing tables and chair exhibits.

The first two wall cases of this arcade are composed with imported glass ware. The one in the north wall retraces a century and one half to heavily cut Irish Glass bowls, footed compotes, decanters, and other objects representative of the type made in Dublin, Cork, Belfast, and Waterford.

The full five shelves of the opposite case are arranged with a brilliantly colored and engraved Bohemian type wine set.

The next group of three cases in the north wall displays selections of Historic Blue Staffordshire which gained the American market during Washington's presidency, including views, figure-pictures, flower-patterns, seascapes, buildings, commemorative pieces, mock designs, and flourishes by E. Wood, E. Wood & Sons, J. Clews, J. Stubbs, T. Mayer, W. Ridgway, J. Rogers, Riley, R. Stevenson & Williams, and Wm. Adams.

Nearest the door to corridor G is a case containing specimens of all five Lustre Ware techniques—silver, gold, copper, steel, and resist. Objects are chiefly jugs, mugs, and goblets.

On the other side of the doorway important pieces from English ceramics centers occupy the remaining cases of the corridor. There is one case of Staffordshire earthenware—jugs, pitchers, rustics, Rockingham ware. Following are Chelsea and Whieldon products, and Staffordshire salt glaze figures, vases, jugs, pots, and plates. Plates, cases, pitchers, bowls, and tea pots in the next case include some rare articles—two Coalport vases, Worcester ware, Crown-Derby, Plymouth ware, a Caughley cream pitcher, Staffordshire salt-glaze, a Longton Hall cream pot, and Rockingham ware. Leeds and Liverpool wares compose the shelves of the last case in the arcade. The objects are

all cream-colored, of the style made in Leeds after 1760. There are many styles of basins, jugs, mugs, pitchers, plates, and two butter dishes.

Tole ware baskets and candlesticks decorate the tops of furniture pieces, while Sheraton mirrors and girandoles in addition to a lyre-case and a banjo-case clock hang from the walls.

The large Duncan Phyfe collection in the arcade, Congress Hall Chamber, and corridor leading to the main hall, at the east end of the front facade, contains many beautiful examples of the work of that noted American craftsman.

Two cases of Irish Glass specimens are fitted into the south wall of the chamber, and extending down the corridor are additional cases of deep-toned Sandwich glass, Stiegel type flip glasses of many sizes, an unlabeled case of American glass, one of South Jersey, a case of three-mold American examples like those made principally by the Stoddard & Keene works, English glass representative of Bristol and Nailsea, another case of Sandwich glass, and another, unlabeled, of Bohemian type glassware.

On the walls are gilt candelabras with crystal pendants, two wall-type hurricane-glass candle lamps, Sheraton style gilded wall mirrors, pictures of early American glass factories, and a painting of Colonel Joshua Howard, builder and first Commandant of the United States Arsenal at Dearborn. Other objects are Sheffield Plate candlesticks, tole ware, and great blown-glass demijohns.

At the south end of the Congress Hall chamber a corridor leads to two rooms displaying American glassware. In the room on the left, aisles lead between floorcases displaying well known 19th century pattern-glass sequences. That on the right is being arranged with print-glass cup plates and lacy-glass sets.

Walls of the corridor are decorated with gilt candelabras and a huge tapestry centered with an armorial shield.

CONCLUSION

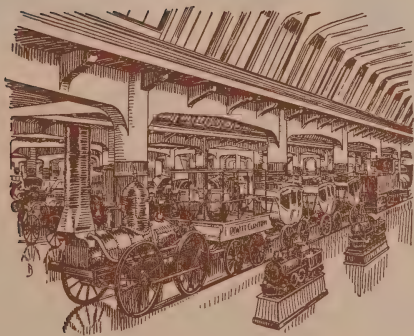
The cases of the grandfather clocks at the end of each of the five corridors are the work of furniture and cabinet makers. This applies to the frames of the mirrors gracing the walls. Two nests-of-tables, one in the arcade on either side of the Independence Hall units, are fine examples of the craft.

Many of the furniture objects are of historic as well as intrinsic interest. Examples are a Chippendale table that once was the property of John Hancock; a New England highback chair of 1710, once the property of Lady Pepperell; a corner cupboard owned by Governor Saltonstall of Connecticut; a Queen Anne Chair (1730) owned by General Joseph Warren; a gate-legged table at which Lafayette frequently wined and dined while a guest in the home of Joseph Reynolds at Bristol, Rhode Island.

More than fifty chandeliers of many types may be viewed in these arcades and corridors.



MAIN EXHIBITION HALL





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THE main exhibition hall covers approximately eight and one half acres. The hall is indirectly illuminated, lights being concealed at the base of the skylights. Ornamental grilles around each column are hot water radiators. At the west end of the hall are the agriculture and household arts exhibits. The central portion of the hall is devoted to manufacture, displaying a unique power exhibit, including steam, combustion and electric devices; to the right is the transportation exhibit. A street of craft shops lines the south end of the hall.

The entire floor space is covered with teakwood. The flooring has been laid in the herringbone design, the boards being dovetailed together and laid on a mastic base.

HANDICRAFT SHOPS



Millinery Shop

On the visitor's immediate right, as he enters the main exhibition hall, is a street of shops extending the width of the hall, representing five blocks of old-time shop buildings complete in detail from shingled roofs to latticed display-windows. Each is unique, and the group as a whole will provide hours of study. The shops stretch along the south side, and each of the corridors leading from the fine arts arcades serves to separate the row into town-like blocks. The equipment and objects furnishing the shops are relics which, a century or so ago, conformed with the country's commercial structure in the eastern states and colonies.

Tools, merchandise, and furnishings are accurate; shop signs and window displays are old-fashioned; and inside many of the shops, craftsmen work on the old lathes and equipment.

Cigar store Indians bedeck the street corners; a paper-mache horse stands outside the blacksmith shop displaying

an early pillion and saddle: iron hitching-post darkies are nearby.

At the end of each block, and at the beginning of the next, are case exhibits of early craft and profession products such as pipes, roller-organs and concertinas, locksmith lathes, surgical instruments, china dolls' heads, and the like.

Centre of the first group of buildings is a *tailor shop* two stories in height, displaying garments of previous American generations. Dressing rooms at the back of the shop



Violin Shop

provide The Institute students who are acting in plays with facilities conveniently near the stage door to the Museum theater. Upstairs, all kinds of costumes are stored.

Samuel Atwood's *violin shop* on the corner of the next block illustrates the American version of Cremona's famed workshops. In the Ford collection are violins made by three of the masters who worked in the Italian village—Stradivari, Guarneri, and Gaudagnini. Although the fiddles, mandolins, guitars, and stringed instruments in the shop itself do not approach the exquisite technique of the masters, nevertheless, the legend of their crafts.

manship seems to impart an air of mysterious and infinite workmanship to the violinmaker's bench. The bench as well as the cello-shaped table to the left of the door is from an old shop. Overlooking them, on wall brackets, violins of all kinds and descriptions are arrayed. Near-cousins are the double bass, the lute, celestinas, mandolas, roller organ, hurdy-gurdy, bassoon, harp, and music box. An unfinished violin, small tools, and pieces of curly



Gun and Locksmith Shop

maple spread about on the third workbench illustrate the working-phase of this matchless craft.

David Stevenson, cabinetmaker, next door was equipped to panel and join fine woodwork for the homes of the well-to-do; in the shop adjoining, Frederick Welke, general carpenter, had a variety of planes, chisel, and other tools for his woodworking profession; next door, H. Card's turning and carving shop is equipped with several foot-powered lathes and devices for special wood designing.

The shop of S. Rowell, wrought iron craftsman, displays early household pots, pans, and hardwood for the selection

of the customer. The main part of the building was his display room while the workshop with its forge, hand-pumped bellows, rack for tongs, anvil, hammers and forging tools occupy the wing to the right. Upon entering the front door the shopper found a table full of fireplace roasting-jacks, spits, toasters, kettle stands, and auxiliary chimney arms, while the fireplace itself, at the left, is utilized to display the decorative products employed



Barber Shop

to tend and keep the fire besides additional accessories such as the pot hooks, meat forks, toasting forks, brand tongs, pipe kiln, and others. Hardware products include panels of latches flanking the fireplace wall, and hung on the back wall is another panel holding many decorative and serviceable hinges. More fireplace equipment is also displayed here such as chimney cranes and varieties of sawtooth-trammels.

The pine-paneled shop of John F. Brown, *gun and locksmith*, partly reconstructs the original which stood in Haverhill, Massachusetts around 1800. The old gentleman, himself, waited on the counter, selling, besides his guns and locks, such things as telescopes, loading tools,

pistols, hunting and pocket knives, and fishing tackle. Old rifling machines stand near the fine stocks.

Many a corner in many a small American town about the period of the 1880's boasted the *corner drug store*, which is illustrated by the first building of the next block. This was really an apothecary shop, without benefit of soda fountain or quick lunch, and the walls are lined with original bottles of chemicals, herbs, and



Leather Shop

patent medicines. Distinguishing features of the shop are the brightly colored water bottles in the window, symbolic of the old drug dispensary. A medieval-looking turnkey tooth extractor displayed was kept in stock for the town dentist in the not-too-remote past.

In the *barber shop* modeled after one owned by Chas. Fowler of Newton, New Hampshire are tonsorial relics of a by-gone day when individual shaving mugs, elaborately initialed, stood on the shelves, and the stuffed owl or squirrel stared at the customers from a lofty perch. There is a single barber's chair, coal stove with copper

water heater, hand pump, and authentic tonic bottles which helped to make this the gay spot of the old town especially on Saturday nights.

Next door, in the typical New England *combs*hop of John Noyes, the ladies might attend to the elegance of their difficult coiffures with selections of tortoise-shell, ivory, horn and other combs. Shelves in the shop display the products. Tools of the trade equipping the



Toy Shop

interior include a foot treadle lathe with buffing wheel attachment, rasps, an awl for parting horns preliminary to soaking, a grail, and two quarnets for fine finish. The tools were acquired from the Walter Follinsbee Comb Shop which still stands on the "Training Field" in West Newbury, Massachusetts.

A gilded boot over the doorway of the next shop announces A. Richardson as *boot-and shoemaker*. A cobbler's bench equipped for working leather stands in the midst of a wide variety of displays of old-fashioned boots and shoes.

The bright little shop of Isabel M. Bradley, *millinery & fancy goods*, displays fetching bonnets and dress goods belonging to the hoopskirt era.

From the shop of C. C. Morse & Son, *leather goods*, emanates the odor of leather and beeswax. The harness showroom is decked with many types of saddles, bridles, bits, blankets, and horse gear. One saddle belonged to William Howard Taft. It is shown with its elaborate gold braided blanket.

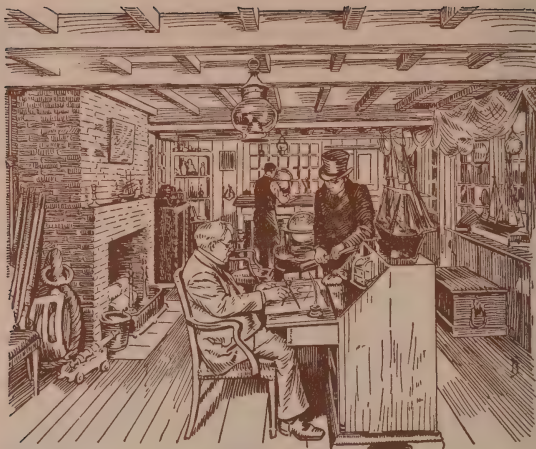
The tiny structure that houses *Hadley's Toy Shop* at the end of the block is amply lighted by windows which are chock full of display shelves. Miniature stoves, furniture, carts, animals, toy banks, little tea sets, spelling blocks—offer a fascinating selection for tots.

In the block beyond, John Christie's *candle shop* illustrates the two most common methods of making candles, the dip and mould. Two types of dip are shown, that in the corner being built like a scale with weights to balance the candles and regulate their size; and the one outside representing the rotary type. Candle moulds are shown on work benches, along with other examples of candlemaking equipment. Several tallow caldrons are in this shop.

The *tinsmith's shop* is modeled after one kept by J. B. Sweet at Pittsfield, New Hampshire, and is equipped with tools to turn out almost any article in small tinware. Specimens of the craft are also shown. In the rear is a stovepipe anvil.

In a corner of the *pewter shop* of David Cutler is a caldron for melting the alloy. Nearby is the foot-power lathe for burnishing, and about the shop are plate and spoon moulds of bronze. The pewter on display in the window and on the side wall is of the last period of general use.

Gurdlestone & Son, *East India merchants*, were stocked with maps and drafting table, sextants, a sailmaker's bench, and a treenail machine for making pegs that fastened together early wooden ships. Whaling guns, and harpoons, lances and swords preserve a chapter of American sea adventure and industry. Capstans, hand-forged link chain, and quaint East Indies relics are displayed outside. Against the back wall a great iron-



East India Shop

studded safe still strongly reeks of precious spices once stored in it.

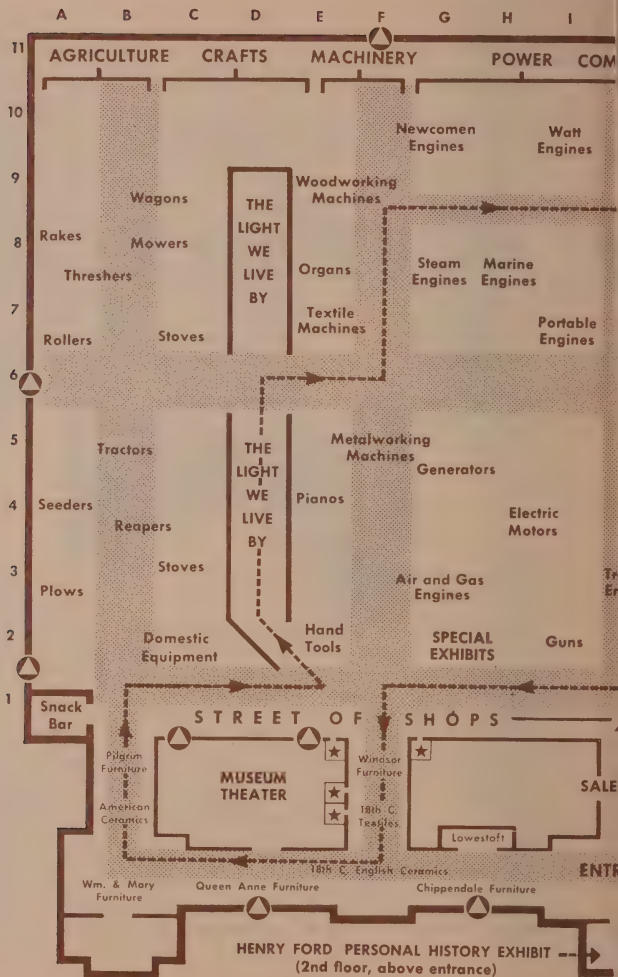
A board-and-batten reconstruction of the Caleb Taft blacksmith shop stands at the end of the row in the far front corner of the exhibition hall. The historic shop contains one of the few remaining ox slings in which the ox was fastened and then lifted by a winch so the smith could shoe the beast. The poet Longfellow knew of this shop and occasionally visited it. Other objects in the shop include a wooden frame forge with hand-operated bellows, benches for nail makers and a stone-weighted, hand-operated drill, the first type of pressure drill.

Adjacent to the blacksmith shop, a wheelwright's shop displays the equipment used in fashioning wagon and buggy wheels. A hand-saw for cutting felloes and a crude mortising machine for wheel hubs are among the exhibits. Craftsmen may often be seen at work here.

AGRICULTURE

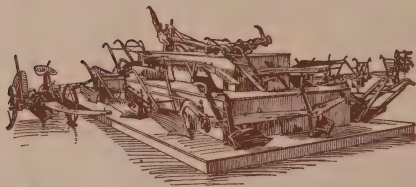


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AGRICULTURE

THE agricultural section extending the length of the exhibit hall along the west side contains farm implements arranged in their evolution, the displays being placed to trace the growth of a season's crop. Beginning with implements used in preparing the soil, the sequence evolves with seed planters, cultivators, harvesting equipment, and, finally, threshing machines and devices for the actual preparation of the crop for market.

Wall panels exhibit the smaller seed planters, hand-tillers, sickles, and tools incidental to the clearing or fencing of the land such as old axes and saws.

About the floor at the beginning of the exhibit, ancient

American plowing devices are exhibited including a rude wooden Egyptian-type ancestor with a rough-hewn log as its beam, a metal-tipped share, and the skulls of oxen as its mouldboard—a type which simply sliced the soil and stirred it without turning it; here, also, are plows with mouldboards sheathed in saw blades like the one which it has been said Daniel Webster used in illustrating plowing technique to an awkward boy.

There are patented plows—walking and riding—from the Civil War period on, with shares of cast iron and, finally, of chilled steel. Many of the latter which show the chronology of improvements in materials and methods are arranged on a wooden, stepped dais. With this display, old-timers may refresh their memories of the cast-iron Jethro Wood patent plow of 1819 with interchangeable parts, John Deere's steel plow of 1838 which he perfected to cope with the loose Illinois soil, the Wiards' hardened-iron plow of 1875, a Peekskill middle-breaker, and an 1870 James Oliver with patented tough, chilled-iron share, to mention a few.

Here, too, is the harrow, which rivals the plow in antiquity, from the earliest "A"-shaped type toothed with wood or iron spikes, or the "bush" types constructed with wooden-toothed wheels fastened flat to a square frame so that they revolved on striking impediments, to the spring-toothed and multiple-disc models of modern times.

Many planting and harvesting devices, eloquent of the ingenuity of early American farmers, are shown; scythes, from the first rough metal blades affixed to a tree branch to the wooden-fingered cradle scythes—and their mechanical successors, the mowing or reaping machines. There are specimens of Ambler's mowing machine, patented in 1834; a reaper built in the Globe Iron Works in Brockport, New York, in 1848; and a reproduction of the original McCormick reaper—one of the first commercially successful types.

Illustrative of the preparation of crops for market are many flails, winnowing baskets, a mediæval-looking "porcupine" threshing instrument powered by horse or mule, and mechanical threshing machines, such as the "ground-hog" thresher of a hundred years ago; the horse-powered devices, the portable and skid types, and

the engines that enabled steam power to be applied to threshing operations. Here are the Mills engine of 1877 (50 years ahead of its time in the use of superheated steam and forced draught) and the Westinghouse vertical agricultural engine used by Henry Ford in the threshing season of 1882.

Among the agricultural curiosities is a collection of hay forks, some with auger-like prongs and others built on the principle of the iceman's tongs. Corn huskers and ensilage-cutters abound. Across the aisle are various treadmills, horse-operated, and even the dog (or trained sheep) treadmills devised to relieve the farmer's wife of the drudgery of operating plunger churns. Of the churn itself there are many specimens, in wood and pottery—plunger, rocker, barrel, paddle and other types—and there are examples of various early cheese presses.

The development of flour milling is traced from earliest times, through the crude Indian stump-and-stone devices, the mortar-and-pestle crushers and other primitive hand-types, to the European water-powered type represented by a clumsy but effective Roumanian gristmill.

Coincidentally with the clearing of the land for the sowing of crops, the lumber industry sprang into being and out of it came the wood-working arts, depicted adjacent to the farm section not only by the tools and machinery they evolved, but in the craft shops, including a characteristic turner's shop, in which early home furniture was made, and a cabinetmaker's shop with specimens of furniture of the Georgian period.

From 1840 on, machine-powered tools came into use, and the various types of fret- and band-saws with which the over-ornate home furniture of Civil War days was made are shown.

TEXTILES AND HOUSEHOLD ARTS

The textile display visualizes the major steps in the preparation of flax, cotton and wool, as well as all types of equipment used in making cloth. Also, there are pieces of finished needlework, washing machines, sewing machines and ironing equipment. Exhibits of interest are the model of Eli Whitney's cotton gin principle and the first practical Singer sewing machine (1854).

The evolution of spinning and its sister art, weaving, is here readily traced from prehistoric times through primitive spindles, wheels and distaffs to modern instruments.

The most primitive implements to be found in the display were used at Kashmir, India. They include a crude comb of metal spikes which was used to straighten the long woolen fibers for spinning.

The spindle is a crude piece of iron, pointed on one end and used by twisting it between the fingers. This is a prehistoric method of spinning. The spinning wheel from Kashmir is a typical teakwood wheel, used from a sitting or squatting position. This type of wheel was invented about the tenth century.

From this early beginning, many other styles of spinning wheels have been developed. The simplest was introduced into Europe in the fourteenth century and resembles a Hindu wheel set on a stand. This was improved upon; and Yankee ingenuity is credited with the double-ratio (high speed), the pendulum type (operated from a sitting position) and the railroad type (the spindle head runs on tracks), all of which may be found in the display. The further progress of wool and cotton spinning is represented by High's spinning jenny principle, (vertical) 1764, the Hargreaves spinning jenny, 1770 and an old spinning jack. This is part of the complete collection of machinery that was in actual use over one hundred years ago in Wales.

The flax equipment includes old flax brakes used in breaking the woody center of the stalk, swinging knives used for beating out the woody center part to separate it from the fibers, and flax hackles for straightening the fibers so they might be spun into yarn on the flyer type spinning wheels. Unusual styles of this flyer-type wheel

chat are exhibited represent many countries, including Ireland, Switzerland, Germany and America.

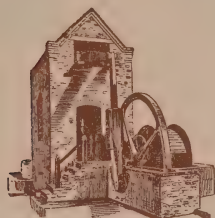
Colonial hand looms have been set up to make fabrics typical of that day, among them gingham, linsey-woolsey, an over-shot pattern coverlet, and a rag carpet. A Chinese loom in the collection is a combination hand-and-power loom and contrasts with the cumbersome one from Holland that is dated 1722; both are of the fly-shuttle type.

The display of early American hats includes the white beaver and the poke bonnet, as well as equipment used to make them. The modern felt hat and sombrero are shown in various stages of production.

Many unusual and long-since-forgotten home implements may be found in the textile display. Of these, the most interesting are the carpet-stretchers, niddy-noodies, lace bobbins, knee looms, and the varied collection of old pairs of scissors in the sewing display.

Here, too, is traced the evolution of the flatiron from its crude beginnings through the ingenious mechanical contrivances and the camphine, kerosene and charcoal heated irons to the modern electrical irons. Other household implements inevitably associated with the flatiron include ironing boards, mangles, washing-boards, washtubs and washing machines, as well as fluting irons and crimping machines.

MANUFACTURE





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THE second division, manufacture, traces the development of steam and other heat power from the earliest successful attempts up through the modern era. The importance of general interest in this development is that with the coming of artificial power, the whole method of manufacture and living conditions were completely revolutionized. This exhibit is divided into several separate groups beginning with the development of English steam engines.

ENGLISH GROUP

The oldest in the group is a Newcomen atmospheric-pressure engine of the design invented by Simon Newcomen in 1705, said to have been the first commercially successful steam engine design. The one exhibited is believed to have been built in 1760 and operated continuously from then until 1830 to drain the old Cannel Mine in northwest England. After standing unused for a century, it was presented to the Institute in 1930 by the Earl of Stamford, on whose estate it stood.

A full description of the removal from its first location and preparation for shipment to The Edison Institute is given in the May, 1936, edition of *Scientific American* under the heading "Fairbottom Bobs."

The wooden beam that transmitted power from the cylinder to the pump and a few minor details have been restored. Aside from this, the equipment and all of the masonry are as they were when erected in England. In operation, the cylinder of the engine was filled with steam at atmospheric pressure, then a stream of water was sprayed into the cylinder which condensed the steam, and the vacuum which resulted allowed atmospheric pressure to force the piston down, thereby raising the pump plunger on the other end of the walking beam. The operation was crude and this engine developed only about 11 horsepower.

Serving the engine is a "Haycock" or spherical boiler—so named because it resembled an old-fashioned English haycock. This was the earliest type of boiler used to generate steam for operating engines.

Near the Newcomen engine is a large Boulton and Watt pumping engine which represents Watt's first improvement of the former engine. Built in 1795, it was put to work on the Bordesly Canal in England for the Warwick & Birmingham Canals Navigation Company. It developed 45 horsepower and lifted 134,000 gallons of water per hour from a depth of 42 feet. The engine is of the same type as that invented by Watt in 1765. The principal improvements that he made over the Newcomen design were the enclosing of the upper end of the cylinder and the use of a separate condensing chamber which prevented the cyclic cooling of the working cylinder by the condens-

ing water stream. A considerable reduction in steam consumption was effected.

Five-pound steam pressure was supplied from an original "wagon" type boiler recovered from the same company. The cylinder of the engine is the only one known to exist bearing the inscription of the famous "Coalbrookdale" concern where the first coal-coke iron was successfully cast. The usual English enginehouse has also been reconstructed.

Another English type is the "Whimsey" winding engine, a later type of atmospheric-pressure engine. Its separate condensing chamber was commonly called a "pickle pot" because of its shape. It has the crank method of producing rotative motion from reciprocating motion. Engines of this design were introduced in England about 1780 and were used to draw up coal from mines, developing about 19 horsepower. This original winding engine was undoubtedly made about 1800 and re-erected 31 years later at the "Windmill End" station of the Staffordshire Mines Drainage Commission, where it was in service until 1928.

Directly north of the Boulton and Watt pumping engine is the next important development made by Watt. This engine, built in 1812, has Watt's well-known "straight-line linkage" for the piston rod and it is a double-acting machine—that is, the steam is admitted to both ends of the cylinder alternately, thereby greatly increasing the development of power in a given space and size of machine.

Alongside the Boulton and Watt engine is a reproduction of a Watt engine that is a double-acting type, using the "sun-and-planet" gear system that he developed with William Murdock after James Pickard had patented the crank.

The exhibit also contains an early beam rotative engine, a compound engine, a table-type engine, and a horizontal engine, all illustrating the various phases of progress in English engine development.

Other present include a Symington horizontal engine of 1815, a Dickson beam engine with its ornate cast-iron frame-work and railing, a cycloidal engine of 1802, Maudsley's table engine of 1807 (this engine was built in 1820), and a two-cylinder oscillating engine that was developed by William Murdock in 1785 and was for a time popular in

marine use. Other types are the wheel guide table engine of 1807 and a complicated-appearing design called the "grasshopper" engine, followed by the side lever marine engine of the 1840 period. This engine was built about 1860 but well represents the period beginning 20 years previous.

Several more examples of early but progressively improved designs of the English steam-engine development are in the exhibit.

AMERICAN GROUP

Another main group of engines traces two separate developments in American steam-engine usage. The first of these is illustrated by engines displayed along the aisle, which very briefly show the development in marine steam engines. They begin with a two-cylinder horizontal simple and crude type that was extensively used in river boats—particularly in the South—for nearly 100 years, with only slight changes throughout this period. The connecting rods were often of wood, sometimes iron-bound, and were connected directly to the shaft of the stern-paddle wheel.

North of the paddle-wheel engine is a single-cylinder vertical engine which is characteristic of the early engines used in small steamers and until recent years in tugboats. Next is a large single-cylinder engine taken from the tug "Hebard." This is typical of the larger engines required for the growing size of boats in the middle of the 19th century. A simple two-cylinder engine that was developed from the single-cylinder type to obtain the same power with lower center of gravity and less weight, is shown.

Several small engines typical of small launches and small fishing boats of the 19th century form part of the exhibit. Included is a three-cylinder inverted type engine that was developed to obtain low center of gravity and considerable power.

A "fore-and-aft" compound engine typical of both small and large engines for boats in continuous service—a development of the 1860 to 1880 period is shown. The object of the design was to reduce fuel consumption.

Another exhibit is a large "steeple" compound engine,

used in many early freight steamers on the Great Lakes. This engine was built in 1861.

The last in this group is a triple expansion, lightweight, high-speed and high-pressure yacht engine, of a design that appeared about 1880 to give still further improvement in fuel economy; and which has been standard for freight steamers throughout the world until recent years. The one exhibited was built in 1892 for the steam yacht "*Truant*" and is shown with the condenser, pumps and boiler originally installed.

Another section traces American steam-engine development. That of the stationary steam engine begins at the corner of the aisle adjoining the stern-paddle-wheel boat model and extends to the east, showing first the development of slide-valve designs, then north along the next aisle, tracing releasing valve gears, automatic governors, and high-speed engines. The principal exhibits border the aisle, with variations shown in engines installed in the center of the group.

The fundamental difference between the English and American engines is to be noted. The English engines were given great attention by the manufacturers in quality of finish, with artistic ironwork and railings that were generally furnished as part of the engine installation. The American manufacturers almost from the beginning built for utility primarily, with a minimum of decoration and without railings or other unnecessary appurtenances.

The first engine, built by Campbell, McDermid & Mustard, drove a rice mill near Savannah, Georgia, from about 1830 until the Civil War. The ornate ironwork, the lack of exposed machined surfaces, and the crude fit of the wheel on the iron shaft will be noted. The ornamentation indicates a carry-over of the English custom, while the cruder features testify to the lack of machine-shop equipment of the early American manufacturer. Next is a vertical pillar-type engine that was designed to be either direct-connected to a line shaft in a factory, or to drive equipment by belt from the flywheel. It was built by Chubbuck, Campbell & Company, Roxbury, Massachusetts, and together with the rice-mill engine, represents the earliest period of American engine manufacture.

The next engine, built by George Frick, of Ridgeville, Maryland, is practically identical with the first Frick engine built in 1845. It illustrates the first attempt at higher rotative speed and lighter construction. Near it is one made by the Franklin Machine Works at Albany, New York, built in 1848, and including a complication to the steam valve gear which was intended to improve operation and economy. It is one of the earliest attempts at double-valve construction.

The next engine represents the 1850 period and it is the first shown with a crank disc instead of a crank arm. It is also the first shown in which no attempt was made to decorate the castings with would-be artistic designs. The next small engine by C. W. Tift & Sons Company, of Buffalo, New York, illustrates a variation of the slide-valve design, built into a rocking valve. Next is an engine of 1868, built by McIntosh & Hemphill. This has a long valve to reduce the length of steam passages, and is also equipped with a safety stop on the governor and, in general, represents a rather advanced form of the plain slide-valve design.

Turning north on the main aisle, the visitor finds an important group—engines built with releasing, or drop cutoff, valve gear. The first of such gears to be commercially successful were developed by Green and Corliss almost simultaneously. The exhibit includes a Green engine of the 1855 design in the first position, then a very large Corliss engine with one of the earliest types of Corliss releasing latch mechanisms. The Corliss is of large size in recognition of the important place assumed by Mr. George H. Corliss in the development of the steam-engine industry, and the improvements in design and economy which can be attributed to him. Next is a small Corliss engine with a later type of Corliss releasing gear. It represents the extent to which some manufacturers went in building a complicated design down to small size for a very small percentage in improved economy.

The next engine—a Brown—uses a gridiron type of flat sliding valve but with drop cutoff mechanism. This was a successful type of its day and is the last shown in which the designer laid greater stress on perfection of indicator card as a measure of economy than he did on

space, original cost and other factors that may have affected economy and over-all operating cost.

Adjoining it is the first of the high-speed type, built by the Southwark Foundry & Machine Company of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, under the Porter-Allen patents. It almost exactly duplicates the original engine built by Mr. Allen in 1862 and exhibited at the British International Exhibition, where it caused a great sensation by its high operating speed—about 350 R.P.M. Next is the Armington & Sims type of engine, the first shown with a shaft governor and center crank construction. This make was one of the most successful in driving the early electric generators, and much favored by Mr. Thomas A. Edison. Next is a Buckeye engine—another of the high-speed shaft governor type with the characteristic Buckeye valve gear, which is a double valve with one telescoping the other to give a better control of events in the operating steam cycle.

A group of several small engines is shown, some with their own boilers. Engines of this type were used in small shops where small power was required before the days when electric distribution allowed such service to be provided by electric motors. These engines were used notably between 1860 and 1900.

Next is shown an engine with what was commonly called "nonreleasing Corliss valve gear." This construction was not related to the Corliss valve gear design except that it used rocking barrel-type valves and individual valve adjustment. The design made possible higher rotative speeds than with the releasing valve gear.

A McEwan tandem compound of the center crank type with slide valves, commonly used for driving electric generators around 1900, and a tandem compound belt drive Corliss engine of the 1900 period which operated for over 30 years in a flour mill at Monroe, Michigan, are included.

The next group of engines is placed with electric generators to show the development of electric-generator construction and method of drive over the period from 1880 to 1900. There are also in this third group two steam turbines of early models—one a Parsons design and the other a Curtis design—representing the two fundamentally different designs in turbine construction.

AGRICULTURAL STEAM ENGINES

One section of the power exhibit is devoted to more than a score of steam engines for agricultural work, developed in the 1900's and adapting English ideas to American farm use. As distinguished from engines which either pulled themselves along cables, dragging plows after them, or pulled the plows with winches, American inventors gradually perfected a number of portable and traction engines which could be harnessed to the plow or perform other heavy labor from belted flywheels.

One of the oldest in the exhibit is the Case No. 1 manufactured at Racine, Wisconsin, in 1876, and the first manufactured by J. I. Case which bore a serial number. Case engines were awarded the Centennial Medal at Philadelphia in 1876, and also the gold medal at the World's Fair in Paris in 1889. In 1934 this engine was shown at the Chicago World's Fair. It carries a wagon tongue, and on the heavy, iron smokestack (which was hinged for lowering during transit) is the seat for the teamster.

A Monitor portable engine made at Ypsilanti, Michigan, has a vertical firebox with a horizontal boiler attached at the top. A sapling which had grown through the spokes of the wheels during the years it stood in disuse was cut off at the base and remains entwined in the wheel. A French portable steam engine somewhat more fancy than the others; a Massillon, Ohio, Russell traction engine dated 1885, which is powered from the rear wheels through five propelling gears; a Rubicon traction engine of 1890 built by Wood, Tabor, and Morse, having a drive on both rear and front wheels, are others.

The engine built by the Westinghouse Company of New York (1885) is a compact unit with vertical combined firebox and boiler. Its pressure gauge reads to 200 pounds.

ELECTRICITY

The electrical power and energy developments include almost every type of electrical device for all three phases of electricity: generating, distributing, and consuming. One of the most complete units in the exhibit is the W. J. Hammer collection of 1,100 incandescent lamps. A recent addition is one of the largest incandescent lamps ever made, having a glass bulb measuring twenty inches in diameter. The heavy tungsten filament, weighing three pounds, consumes 50,000 watts. The total weight of the lamp is 36 pounds, compared to the average forty watt lamp used for ordinary home lighting. The big lamp consumes about 1,250 times that amount, or 67 horsepower. In the same showcase is the smallest incandescent lamp the size of a grain of wheat. In contrast to the big lamp, the latter consumes .17 watts—or .11 amps at 1.5 volts. It operates from a single dry cell and produces .028 horizontal candle power.

The exhibit is one of the most comprehensive in the country, tracing the work of Edison, and that of his predecessors in gas and electric arc lighting back through lighting and illuminating devices, to Egyptian and Roman time.

Among the thousands of handwrought articles for artificial light are: Eskimo lamps; ancient clay lamps; ceramic lamps; Betty lamps; lamps that burn whale oil, camphene, kerosene; store lamps, mine lamps, carriage lamps; petticoat lamps; hanging and swinging lamps; tallow, wax and bayberry candles, rush lights; candleholders; candlesticks of wood, stone, bone, shell, glass and every known metal or combination of metals; chandeliers and sconces; tinder boxes and pistols; and all of the gadgets associated with artificial lighting, such as snuffers, trays, and matchholders.

The evolution of the electrically operated vacuum cleaner stems back through the carpet sweeper of "Brussels Carpet Days" to the corn brooms and brushes of the Colonists. Modern heating and cooking devices and the inclusive field such as electric ranges or refrigerators are shown to have evolved from gas equipment and kerosene, and back through early baseburners, the Franklin stoves, and finally the open fireplace. Scores of other devices

that constitute the familiar machinery of our everyday lives include mimeographs, dictaphones, typewriters, and mailing machines.

The camera has a place in portraying the photography sequence from early studio manual equipment through Edison's kinetophone and kinoscope, forerunners of motion and talking picture machines, to the modern equipment of the motion picture industry.

The background of another "graphic art," printing, is chronologically portrayed by the machinery of printing such as models of the wooden hand-press of Blaeu, the Columbian hand-press, the Washington hand-press, and the early platen presses operated by treadle, with the representative products of the printing art in the form of broadsides, pamphlets and tracts, and numerous specimens of typography as well as early examples of type tasting and type founding.

One exhibit includes a section of every cable stretched across the Atlantic, commencing with the first laid by Cyrus Field in 1858, which failed, and the second, laid by the "Great Eastern" between Ireland and Newfoundland, which was a success, up to and including the 1926 cable.

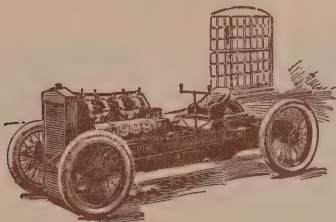
Among Edison's many inventions are mimeographs, stencil machines, and Ediphones. Most of his inventions, however, are exhibited at the restored Menlo Park Laboratory in Greenfield Village.

The works of the great physicists who preceded Edison in the field of electrical discovery and invention are also included in the museum exhibits, as are those of his great contemporaries—Nikola Tesla, Brush, Steinmetz, Westinghouse, and others.

The evolution of the dynamo is traced through the early types used for plating and welding, the "Z", "A", and "K" types of Edison; the dynamo belted to the steam engine; and the turbine driven dynamos of today. The application and distribution of that power led to an entirely different set of inventions by Edison and others: their evolution is seen in exhibits of conduits, insulated wire, fuses, cutouts, switches and the like, and of voltmeters, ammeters—all the devices by which current is measured, from the chemical meters to the modern instruments that register kilowatts used.

TRANSPORTATION





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THE *transportation* section at the east side of the main exhibition hall is full of casual memories like the old Franklin auto with its odd box-like hood, electric "showcase" autos, and model "T"s. Technically, every type of locomotion development in the New World can be traced, in most instances, back to Old World ancestors such as the reproduction of a two-wheeled chariot found in ancient Tutankhamen's tomb, original primitive ox sledges and ox carts with solid wheels, a carriage from Russia, and fine horse-drawn vehicles from other foreign countries.

There are wagons and carriages of every description, including racing sulkies and pony carts. The main display of carriages is grouped along the east wall, while a broadly representative group of wagons for commercial and special use is arranged along the western edge of the section.

Power locomotion is shown through gasoline, steam, and electric automobiles. Airplanes, motorcycles, boats, bicycles, locomotives, and baby buggies have their place. The first three-color four-way traffic signal in the world is suspended from the ceiling in the automobile section; the first gasoline service station of the visible type to be

established in the world stands at the edge of this section; early railroad signals rise to the ceiling above the train tracks.

FIRE ENGINES

Paralleling the transportation section is a comprehensive display of fire-fighting equipment, through which the evolution of the fire engine is disclosed from the first crude tub-and-bucket devices pumped by hand and pulled by human leg-and-lung power, to the gorgeous horse-drawn steam pump engines of our youth and the self-propelled motorized units of the automobile age.

The tiny "*Molly Stark*" bucket tub engine of 1830 was in use in Hopkinton, New Hampshire. Its small pump and tub, which was kept supplied by the fabled "bucket brigade," seems incapable of more than "sizzling" a good size blaze.

Another bucket tub engine (1797) which was in use at historic Plymouth, Massachusetts, bears a time-honored motto: "Never Despair."

"*Fountain No. 2*" is a much larger engine with all the trimmings for excitement. Long pumping rails on either side could accommodate a score of men; forty leather buckets hanging on the sides indicate the cooperative enthusiasm a fire engendered in the community in the days when companies were formed by volunteers, and each neighbor had a bucket or two hanging at his door.

The coming of the grandiose steam fire engine with its clanging bell and thundering horses heightened the thrill for the fire followers. A shiny monster of this type built by the Silsby Manufacturing Company of Seneca Falls, New York, about 1876, is particularly interesting to this region, having been used at Pontiac a few miles north of Detroit.

The restrictions imposed on the early volunteer departments are in ample evidence—crude pumping devices, and the old leather hose contemporary with the days of William A. Hunneman, and other noted engine builders. The progress is visible in hose, engines, carriages, and pumping and suction equipment. Picturesque uniforms and hats indicate the spirited enthusiasm these old fire fighters displayed.



HORSE-DRAWN VEHICLES

HORSE-DRAWN vehicles—both those that are purely American in character and those of foreign derivation—present a wealth of fine examples that mark epochal steps in the advancement of design and construction. In the first class are included the Colonial *gig*, *chaise*, and *chair*; the *buckboard*; tin peddler's cart; the *rockaway*, a smart closed vehicle with an overlapping roof for the protection of the driver; and a beautiful example of *coach*, built by William Ross in 1760 and used by General Lafayette during his first visit to this country. In the second class are *hansom* cabs, *broughams*, *victorias*, *landaus*, and the Cuban *volanta*. One or two of these were made in Paris. There is also a full sequence of sleighs and cutters deriving from the earliest sled.

These are all exhibited in the main carriage group and among them are some of historical note. Near the back

of the section is a handsome *Surrey* of the late 19th century which was built for General Allen, Commandant of the California forces during the Civil War; a high-seated *Break* of 1885 with colorful, upholstered seats was made for Walter Hobard, one of the best four-in-hand "whips" on the Pacific coast; in one of the comfortable *Landaus*, Theodore Roosevelt once rode.

Other typical American examples in the rear of the carriage section include the picturesque, pot-bellied *Concord* and *Campbell coaches* of the mid-19th and 18th centuries respectively; a beautifully finished, somber *Hearse* of the 1860's; a resplendent New York *Park Coach* or *Drag* of the Gay Nineties; and a *Canopy Surrey* of the Civil War period.

Cabs, *Park Phaetons*, *Cabriolets*, the *Barouche*, and a sleek, five-windowed *coach* of the Civil War period are reminiscent of New York, New England, and the old South, particularly—one or two were made by the Brewster Company of New York; others were presented by well known eastern families.

Boston is represented by a fine example of a nineteenth century *buckboard* and others. The *Goddard buggy*, *Stanhope Phaeton*, and *Trap* are included in the exhibit as well as a sturdy *Thorobrace Mountain Wagon* of the west.

Carriage-making was a superior craft, as evidenced by the fact that some of the old shops survived the machine age to progress into automobile body manufacture. Woods were carefully selected; technique and design carefully studied for riding comfort, durability and looks; decoration and upholstery were trades in themselves. The *Governor's Coach* of Nevada on exhibit was made in Illinois at a cost of \$10,000. An 1800 *Wagonette* cost \$4,500. One of the *Hansom Cabs*, made about 1880 by C. P. Kimball of Chicago, sold for \$2,500.

Midway in the section many foreign vehicles are exhibited, such as an *Irish Jaunting Car*, a *Three-Wheel Phaeton*, a *Russian Telega* of 1830, and an *English Sporting Trap*.

The forepart of the carriage section is filled with sleighs, sledges, and the like. Harness and trappings are exhibited on wall panels; while occasional hitching-post figures, watering troughs, and papier-maché horses heighten the realism of the exhibit.

An additional sequence of carriages is located across the floor of the transportation exhibit near the back of the hall. These belong to a commercial category such as heavy trucking and freight wagons, and buses.²⁹ Among the more interesting is the *Conestoga Wagon*, first seen about 1755, a purely American product made in Conestoga Valley in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. It was in the "Prairie Schooner," as it was later called, that civilization migrated westward. A popcorn wagon is included in this group.

An elaborately decorated Sicilian cart prefaces the row, and beside it stands an American type *farm wagon*—looking like a long, stout, shallow box on strong wheels. The familiar olive green American Railway Express *wagon*—lettered in yellow and red—was proportioned to hold several trunks and crates.

Others included are the Hotel Del Monte *bus*—largest horse-bus ever built; a "Ben Hur" *band wagon* and sight-seeing bus decorated like a circus wagon; a great *Tally-Ho* custom-built in 1896 at a cost of \$10,000 for the son-in-law of George Pullman; a Julian Stage Line open *coach* of 1907 (Los Angeles); a heavy *dump wagon*; great trucking and freight *wagon* of 1910; a *beer wagon*; *gypsy wagon*; U. S. Mail *wagon*; flimsy *delivery wagon*; *butcher wagon*; *horse ambulance*; and a *steam calliope*.

The early phase of the motorized truck is illustrated at the end of the row with a Fodens *steam truck* and a Riker *electric truck*.

Another branch of the carriage-makers' product is illustrated near the auto section by several wire-wheeled racing *sulkies*, all identified with the country fair, dirt track days, and most of them important to horse-racing's hall-of-fame. Sulkies which Nancy Hanks, Lou Dillon, Cresceus, Cricket, and Ethan Allan raced to new records are included.

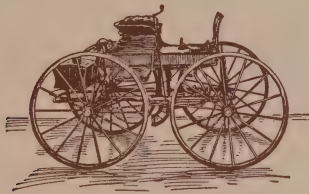
At the head of this same aisle are country cousins of the carriage-maker and wheelwright products, most of them made for children, such as little *sleighs*, *sleds*, *pony carts*, *dog carts*, *baby buggies*, and hobby horses. Other children's toys of a transporting nature are *tricycles*, *midget autos*, and *ice skates*. A Japanese *Jin-riki-sha* is near by.



CYCLING

THE evolution of cycling is depicted near the front of the hall in an infinite variety of models, from von Sauerbronn's crude *draisine* or "Gentleman's Hobbyhorse," propelled without benefit of pedals, to the latest type of modern motorcycle, and including the "boneshaker"; the "phantom" of the 60's; the "spider" of the 70's; the high-wheeled racing "ordinaries" and "xtraordinaries" of the 80's with small wheel behind or before; the so-called "safety" bicycles of the Twentieth Century; tandems, four-seaters and one record-breaker, beloved of small boys, that has 10 seats.

In the bicycle exhibit, the visitor may see the largest and smallest bicycles ever built and used. Also, one may see many curious styles of cycle, such as the kangaroo, the star, the tricycle and the velocipede.



AUTOMOBILES

EXAMPLES tracing the entire evolution of the horseless carriage are plentifully represented in an automobile sequence which is comprehensive in both foreign and American types. Early European successes in internal combustion types, as well as early American makes in the Museum cover all the developments of motors, bodies, parts, and accessories through the days of the planetary transmissions, friction clutches, carbide lamps, brass radiators, leather upholstery, running-board battery boxes, magnetos, and the fashionable habiliments of driver and passengers. The latter are depicted by figures dressed to period in dusters, veils, and black leather gauntlets.

The *Daimler*, the *Benz*, the *Eisenach* and other makes built from 1884 to 1902, a model of the first *Isotta-Fraschini* and an early *Renault* are among the exhibits. Early American makes include the *Winton*, *Haynes*, *Cadillac*, and *Reo*, various "electrics" and the steamers of *Stanley*, *White* and others.

The story of the *Ford* automobile is told from Mr. Ford's early cars completed in the 90's, through subsequent developments to the *Model T*, the *Model A*, and including

the Model K—famous six-cylinder model—as well as Ford racing cars headed by the “999.”

Among the automobiles that attract attention is Riker's “Bullet,” a streamlined skeleton car of ancient vintage which, powered by storage batteries, challenged all comers (steamers, electric, gasoline powered cars, etc.) to a test of speed and won the first automobile race in this country. The *Lincoln* which transported King George VI and Queen Elizabeth during their historic visit to this continent, is on display.

The first aisle of the transportation section is flanked on each side by progressive displays of automotive parts. On one side, early tire manufacture is represented by a Firestone exhibit of wheels mounted with fabric types, a rim setter for hard-rubber tires, and several ply machines with cutaway sections of various types of tires in process of construction. Curing presses are also included.

Across the aisle are many early engines mounted on blocks for close inspection. A 1906 *Cadillac* motor made by Faulconer, capable of 10 h.p. is among the first, and a 6 h.p. *Duryea* made in Peoria, Illinois in 1897. Ford types include: the A, B, and C of 1903, '04, '05; N; R; K; T; V-8; *Lincoln* V-8; and 110 h.p. V-12.

The air-cooled *Franklin* of 1908, made in Syracuse, New York is displayed, near the *Holsman* of 1910 manufactured in Chicago, and a 1910 *Brush*. Special styles include the M.A.N. truck engine—a Diesel made in Werk-Augsburg, Germany—, A Schebler V-12 of 1905—'09 believed to be the 1st V-12 used in an auto, a *Stutz Special*, and a *Lycoming 8-in-line*.

Near by are molding machines or dies for engine parts, and a display of crankshafts. Shelves and tables display the Bosch magneto exhibit, and carburetors and generators. A cutaway model of a full-size automobile engine and driving mechanism is mounted on a chassis for convenient inspection.

The Benz and Daimler firms of Germany, given credit by many for the introduction of the internal combustion motor vehicle abroad, are represented by a Benz “*Velocipede*” of 1892 having a one cylinder motor of 1½ horsepower; a Benz “*Vis-A-Vis*” of 1891-'92 built similar to other early Benz cars, resembling in almost every appearance a horse-drawn carriage, with motor unit under the

rear deck; and a two-cylinder *Daimler* of 1894 vintage with a hot tube ignition and belt and pulley transmission.

1900 is represented by several cars: an *Oldsmobile* run-about built at Lansing, Michigan, by R. E. Olds; the *United States Long Distance*, manufactured for four years under the Selden patent; and a Winton—"best seller" in early days—having a one-cylinder engine and chain drive.

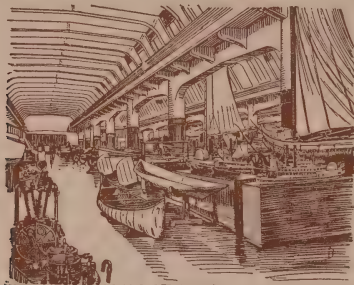
One of the 1901 representatives is a *Crestmobile* made at Cambridge, Massachusetts. The one-cylinder motor is air-cooled.

1902 models are the *Knoxmobile* made at Springfield, Massachusetts, and the *Michigan* manufactured at Kalamazoo. The first was notable for its air cooling system and cone clutch. The *Michigan* is chain driven and has two speeds ahead, with no reverse.

Interesting among the 1903 types is an "*Orient*" *Buckboard* which sold for \$500. The flexible floorboard provided the only spring motion. The rope-drive *Holsman* is from the same year.

A procession of other makes and interesting details are too numerous for detail. They include: an early *Cadillac*, and *Northern* made in Detroit; a *Pope Hartford* made in Connecticut by the Hartford manufacturer; a *Schacht* made at Cincinnati, Ohio; and a *Pierce Arrow*. The *Stanley Steamer* of 1902 depicts another phase of power having a two-cylinder steam engine under the rear deck joined directly with the rear axle. The *Riker electric tricycle* was used personally by Andrew Riker at Stamford, Connecticut. An *Austin Steamer* of 1863 made in Massachusetts has no brakes, since the closing off of steam acted effectively as a brake.

"Tiller," lever, and crank steering apparatus were used on many of these.



BOATS AND WATER CRAFT

ANOTHER unit of this section pertains to water transportation. Light craft range between sport and lifesaving types. Small-scale models illustrate commercial types. Mounted engines portray the story of smaller marine motive power.

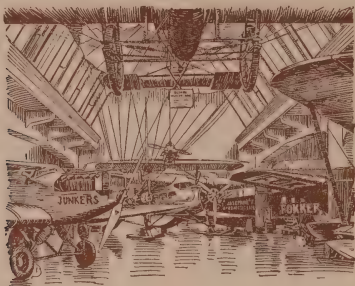
In the first group are a *dugout* and *birchbark canoe* illustrating the primitive manual power of propelling. The *catboat* "Sprite," designed and built in 1860 by Charles F. Herreshoff, Esquire and John B. Herreshoff, illustrates employment of the sail. The single mast set far forward and carrying a single large gaff-and-boom sail towers to the ceiling. Nearby is the *naphtha launch* "Chiripa," constructed about 1892, powered by a naphtha engine made by the Gas Engine and Power Company of New York. The sail combined with the *catamaran*-design hull is illustrated by the *catamaran* "Amaryllis" built in 1933 by the Herreshoff Manufacturing Company of Bristol,

Rhode Island. Between the twin hulls, which are like long pontoons, a stout deck for passenger and mast is slung above the water.

An example of an early *wooden lifeboat* is included in the equipment of the Humane Society of Massachusetts, originally located at Siasconset, Nantucket, Massachusetts. The boat, the "Siasconset," is equipped with sail, besides the eight oars and oarlocks. An oarlock for steering rudder is mounted at the rear. The other equipment includes a two wheeled horse cart with shovel, ax, pick, and baskets of coiled rope and pulleys. The boat is also mounted on a wheeled carriage for transportation down the beach.

Models of larger power boats include the river-type packets and the huge lake freighters. The model of the river-steamer "Idlewild" duplicates an 1890 3-decker excursion vessel operated by the White Star Line of Detroit on the river between Detroit and Port Huron. It is a side-wheeler. Another side-wheeler represented in model is the "Francis Skiddy," which established a record of 7½ hours from New York to Albany in 1852. The Henry Ford II, Great Lakes ore freighter built in 1924, is also included in the model display. This is a Diesel-engine-propelled ship made by the American Shipbuilding Company of Lorain, Ohio.

Among the several mounted engines which illustrate Diesel, gasoline, and other power, are a two-cylinder gasoline type made in 1891 by the Daimler Motor Company of Long Island City; and 8 h.p., 2-cylinder gasoline type made by the Lathrop Company; a Scripps Marine Engine of 1908 made in Detroit; and one made by the Gas Engine and Power Company of New York.



AIRPLANES

AIRPLANES as an important form of transportation are represented in an exhibit which is becoming one of the outstanding Museum collections in the country.

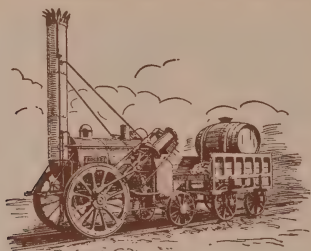
Famous "firsts" are suspended from the ceiling, such as the *biplane* which E. M. Laird used for his first "loop the loop" in June, 1916. Katherine Stinson also flew the plane in 1916 and 1917. Other planes hanging above the section are a *monoplane* similar to the one in which Louis Bleriot made the first flight across the English Channel in 1909, and the *Zoegling glider* brought to this country from the Wasserdruppe School near Frankfurt, Germany, for the first glider demonstration in America.

The advance of airplane manufacture is depicted by many world-known planes now recorded in history either for having spanned the oceans, circled the globe, explored the poles, or accomplished some other outstanding

feat. Admiral Byrd's North and South Pole planes are here—a *Fokker* and a *Ford* equipped with huge skis for landing on snow; the "Pride of Detroit," a *Stinson-Detroiter* in which Brock and Schlee started east on August 28, 1927 on their proposed world flight; the German *Junkers monoplane*, the "Bremen," which made the first westward crossing of the Atlantic; the *Detroit News autogiro* built by Pitcairn Aircraft Incorporated, which was the first American commercial autogiro; a *Boeing 40-B2*, two-passenger mail plane, one of a fleet of 24 that inaugurated the first commercial air passenger service across the continent, July 1, 1927; a *Stinson-Detroiter* which made the first *Diesel* flight September 19, 1928; and a 1916-'18 standard *J-1* airplane of the type used by the U. S. Army Air Service for primary training.

Among others are a tiny three-cylinder *Ford experimental* plane, a pusher-type flying boat, and a *Baumann Racer*.

Mounted engine blocks are grouped around the planes and include a 1910 *Elbridge Aircraft* engine, *Wasp* by Pratt & Whitney, 1916 *Clerget*, 1917 *V-12 Liberty* by Lincoln Motor Company, *Ford Experimental X-types*, *Lawrence*, *Packard Diesel*, *Curtiss OX-5* of World War I days, *Gnome rotary* made in Paris, *Hall Scott*, *Sturtevant* of 1917, and a 1916 *Hispano-Suiza*. Other exhibits in the section include experimental engines, models, old paraphernalia like goggles and helmets and belts, propellers, cylinder castings, and a trophy won by famous Earle L. Ovington in 1911.



The "Rocket"

LOCOMOTIVES

THE track spurs in the museum floor permit the portrayal of the development of the locomotive, the earliest being a replica of the "Rocket," which was the first practical steam locomotive designed and built in England by George Stephenson in 1829. The chronology then follows to the *De Witt Clinton*, which pulled the third train in America and the first in New York. This is a reconstruction of the original. The original coaches were said to have been built by an Albany coachmaker, and closely resemble the stage coaches of the period.

Following this are locomotives of the Civil War period—wood burners of 1860 and 1865—and one dating 1897. The largest engine in the exhibit, built in 1902, is an express-passenger coal-burning locomotive and was built in Schenectady. A French engine built for narrow gauge tracks and a modern engine, 1915, continue the chronology.

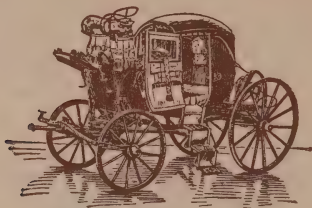
Another exhibit is the *old-style train*. This has been restored to resemble the one on which the youthful Edison worked as a news butcher. "Sam Hill," a locomotive of the Civil War period, stands at its head. The baggage car contains a small laboratory with bottles of chemicals, such as Edison used to experiment with; and a hand press such as he used in printing the first newspaper published on a train—the *Herald*. Two passenger cars comprise the remainder of the train, one of them an original from the Bangor & Aroostook R. R.

On this train Thomas A. Edison and Mrs. Edison, escorted by the then President Herbert Hoover and Mrs. Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ford, and other guests, rode to Greenfield Village, October 21, 1929, to take part in *Light's Golden Jubilee* celebration and the dedication of The Edison Institute.

Model and miniature locomotives, car seats, old Blenkinsop type rails, handcars, and station stoves are other displays. A railroad station, furnished with baggage carts, trunks, lanterns, and signal levers, completes the exhibit.



View of Transportation Section



SOME OF THE COLLECTIONS

AMONG the major exhibits in the Museum are several widely known collections.

Following the death in 1936 of Theodore Wohlbruck, wealthy Redwood City, California, collector, the entire transportation exhibit he had accumulated in years of research was acquired by The Institute. Carriages which had belonged to the Leland Stanford and William Randolph Hearst families in the early days of California formed part of the collection. Other historic horse-drawn vehicles belong to outmoded social and economic epochs, such as the 17-passenger Concord coach which operated in the Rockies before the days of the railroad; also an opera coach owned by "Lucky" Baldwin's wife, and hacks used by the first Barney Higgins before the days of the taxicab, the historic Hotel Del Monte bus, several old-time high hearses, and harness, saddles, accessories.

From the Early Birds organization of pilots, who were in the air prior to December 17, 1916, a procession of historic aeronautical machines, parts, equipment—like the Laird Biplane of 1915 flown by Katherine Stinson, the extraordinary Baumann Gordon Bennett Racer of 1920,

autogiros, an Olmsted propeller used on the NC 4 to mention a few—have come to be preserved at Dearborn, as well as archives including several thousand photographs, news clippings of racing meets and national events, books, and pamphlets covering famed names, activities, and airships too numerous to list, back into history.

Hundreds of small collections illustrating specialized phases of a major field are exhibited throughout the Museum. Among the electrical ignition displays are a group of magnetos from the American Bosch Magneto Corporation, illustrating the progress made in their manufacture from the days before present high speed engines were dreamed of. A magneto which Orville Wright used in an important flight at Fort Myer in 1908 is included.

The Electrical Storage Battery Company, makers of Exide batteries, presented an exhibit of early lead storage battery plates dating back to 1889.

An additional contribution to the electrical exhibit is an entire collection of more than 450 specimens, models, and types of electrical apparatus ranging back into the early days of electrical development, presented by the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company.

From Columbia University came the entire 200 pieces of electric apparatus which had been in the museum of their electrical engineering school, as well as many important pieces, such as examples of Mr. Edison's early incandescent lamps, Wallace arc lights, Edison bi-polar generators, and many other valuable "firsts."

The famous Hammer Lamp Collection and the Knowles Lamp and Socket Collection are foremost among the electrical exhibits. William J. Hammer was an Edison Pioneer, having been sent to England by the inventive genius to establish the world's first large central power station in 1881 and introduce the Edison system.

He achieved note by inventing the automatic motor-driven flashing electric sign, after having made the world's first electric sign, bearing the name of Edison. He also is credited with the invention of luminous radium paint.

For years he made a collection of incandescent electric lamps which in 1906 was awarded the Franklin Institute's Elliot Cresson gold medal. It is referred to as being the only art in which such a record has been made showing the

complete development from its initial stages to the latest. At the International Electric Exposition in the Crystal Palace London, 1892, it received a special silver medal, and in 1904 it was awarded the Grand Prize of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis.

The collection was at one time housed in a museum of the Association of Edison Illuminating Companies, in conjunction with the Edison Pioneers, and later became part of the Edison Institute.

Joseph Boggs Beale's collection of scenes depicting early motoring days was added to the Museum collection after it was discovered among thousands of stored prints following his death in 1926. The famous illustrator was the artist for Longfellow's "Evangeline," "Hiawatha," and "Courtship of Miles Standish," as well as "Pilgrim's Progress." The pictures are hung in the Transportation section.

GUIDEBOOK

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the late Mr. Henry Ford at Dearborn,
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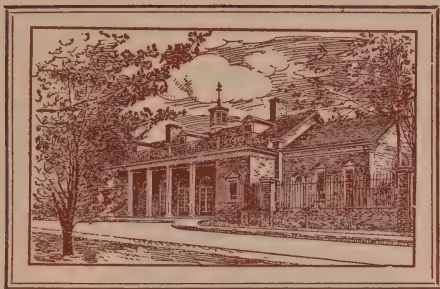
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GREENFIELD VILLAGE, together with The Henry Ford Museum, illustrates the development of the three principal arts—agriculture, manufacturing, and transportation—in the building of America. The buildings in the Village are, for the most part, structures typical of nineteenth-century America, and they vividly recall the life and work of the early years of our nation.

The restorations in Greenfield Village preserve for the future the physical surroundings in which American customs and institutions developed. The founder, the late Henry Ford, expressed his aims when he said:

“When we are through, we shall have reproduced American life as lived; and that, I think, is the best way of preserving at least a part of our history and tradition. For by looking at things people used and that show the way they live, a better and truer impression can be gained than could be had in a month of reading—even if there were books whose authors had the facilities to discover the minute details of the older life.”

The name “Greenfield” was chosen because that was the name of the township near Dearborn where Mrs. Henry

Ford spent her girlhood, and which has since become a part of metropolitan Detroit.

Along the streets of the Village are mills, shops, stores, laboratories, historic structures, schools and homes, much as were found in the villages of the country during the days of its early development. The shops and mills are in operation, and during the school year classes are in session.

Certain of the buildings are not open to visitors. Those used by the Greenfield Village Schools (described in the final chapter) are necessarily closed to avoid interruption of class work. In others, the task of furnishing and arrangement has not yet been completed. In still others, use of machinery by workmen makes it impracticable to open them to the thousands of visitors who throng the grounds during the year.

The majority of the buildings are open, and the list is comprehensive enough to provide an insight and understanding into the project and the pioneer life which it portrays.





THE VILLAGE



55 Bagley Avenue, Detroit, Birthplace of first Ford Car

SHOPS AND MILLS OF THE VILLAGE



OF THOSE who have found delight and much of interest in wandering through the streets of Greenfield Village, the area containing the small shops, mills, and handicraft industries has proved to be most popular. The majority of these craft shops are located along Main Street.

Adjacent to the *Village Barn* is a small white structure known as the *Village Print Shop and Bookbindery*. It is here that all of the printing is done for Greenfield Village and The Henry Ford Museum. The little shop resembles in many ways the small printing establishments of early America, which made possible our traditions of the freedom of the press.

Just beyond the *Village Print Shop*, the *Loranger Gristmill* is seen.



Village Print Shop

This building is typical of the times when early pioneers settled Michigan. It was constructed near Monroe on land purchased from the Federal Government. Edward Loranger, a brick mason, came down from his home in Three Rivers, Quebec, to help erect a church.

He stayed on in the new country making a living by trading with the Indians. About 1832 he felt a gristmill and sawmill were needed, and he laid for them a foundation of native stone. He hewed oak timbers for the beams, cut with a broad axe the whitewood siding of the building, and cut logs for a dam in the



Loranger Gristmill

river to impound the water for power to turn two mill wheels. In the building today these two mill wheels are operated by a Davis steam engine made in 1869.

During the week the visitor may see this mill in operation, grinding flour by the old buhrstone method as was done over a century ago.

Directly across the street from the Gristmill is 58 Bagley Avenue, the birthplace of the first Ford car. This red brick shed originally stood behind the Bagley Avenue home which Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ford occupied at the time he was employed as a steam engineer at the Edison Illuminating Company.

The shed was made over by Henry Ford into a small machine shop where he could work on his idea for a horseless carriage to be powered by a two-cylinder gasoline engine.

In this very shed he finished his first car in 1896, using bicycle wheels, plumbing pipe, carriage cushions, and such other equipment as he could gather together or make himself.

The shop has been outfitted today with much of the original equipment and here may be seen that first car.

Located on Main Street not far from 58 Bagley Avenue



Edsel Ford Building

is the *Edsel Ford Building*. This building is a replica of the second story of the garage which stood on the property of Henry Ford's former home at Edison and Second Avenues in Detroit. Inside are playthings and tools which were used by Edsel Ford as a boy.

On Main Street just above Bagley Avenue is the *Armington & Sims Machine Shop*, named for two Yankee mechanics, Pardon Armington and Gardiner C. Sims, who operated a shop in the eighties and nineties in Lawrence, Massachusetts. Sims designed, with the help of Armington, a high-speed steam engine, and the two formed a partnership and started production of their new engine. No one, however, seemed to need high-speed engines until Thomas Alva Edison devised a plan to connect one directly to a dynamo. He ordered six engines which were successfully used in the first commercial lighting station in the world, the Pearl Street Station in New York City.

Some of the old equipment, drafting board, drawing tools, blueprint developing frame, and company records and catalogues are of the old firm of Armington & Sims.

Adjoining the Armington & Sims Machine Shop is the *Hanks Silk Mill* from Mansfield, Connecticut. It was built in 1810 by Rodney and Horatio Hanks over a waterway which they had diverted from a stream. The water fell from a great flat rock onto a mill wheel. It



Armington & Sims Machine Shop



Hanks Silk Mill

was the first power mill to produce silk in America.

The original machinery of Hanks Silk Mill burned, leaving but a few iron parts, but the visitor may see the same type of wooden reels winding the thin strands of silk from the cocoons which bob in a dish of hot water, and the machine which twists the strands into a single thread.

Textile methods of 200 years ago, contrasted with those of modern production, may be observed in the *Plymouth Carding Mill*. Near a colonial hand-loom where once sat a weaver throwing the shuttle back and forth for long hours, watching his pattern grow slowly, is an automatic loom showing the development of weaving technique in modern times.

The Carding Mill was erected in Plymouth, Michigan, during the eighteen-fifties. When Henry Ford was a boy he accompanied his father on his many trips to Plymouth with raw wool to be made into "rovings" for his mother to spin into yarn on the wheel at home. A carding machine similar to the type that was originally used in this mill may be seen in the center of the room. There are also the little hand carders, flat slabs of wood with thickly-set



Plymouth Carding Mill

stiff bristles with which the early settlers combed wool fibers into long rolls to be twisted into yarn on the spindle of their spinning wheels.

In the *Blacksmith Shop*, sparks fly, and the anvil's ring is heard for a considerable distance. The fire of the forge is kept glowing red by air forced from the bellows



Blacksmith Shop

which the smith pumps with one hand. Forge and anvil are at the left of the door. The ox-sling is on the right; used to support those short-legged animals, or to hold an unruly horse. This once typical building of the early American

scene stands in the shade of a spreading chestnut tree, as did the one made famous by the poet Longfellow.

Adjoining the Blacksmith Shop is the *Kingston Cooper Shop*. Erected in Kingston, New Hampshire, in 1785, soon after the Revolution, it is the oldest American craft shop in Greenfield Village. It was here that the old-time coopers built watertight hogsheads for commerce, barrels for shipping fruits or vegetables, buckets for maple sap, and wooden pails for every home. Fastened without glue or nails, the staves are bound together by brass or hickory hoops, and the bottoms fitted into grooves in the sides. The cooper's tools are the froe, with which he splits logs into boards and shingles; the jointer for smoothing edges; and the draw knife. On the schnitzelbank, or shaving horse, he sits and shapes staves with the draw knife, his feet against a lever which closes the vise in which the staves are held.

A great semi-circular fireplace held green wood and the stout oak casks to dry. The cooper was a valued craftsman, but like many others he has gone from the industrial scene. That his work was well done is proved by the hundred-

year-old sap buckets in the shop. In this historic old building you will see the products of the cooper who plies his trade in this shop today, keeping alive the craft that once was so much a part of the American scene.

Adjacent to the Cooper Shop on Main Street is a small frame structure known as the *Currier Shoe Shop*. William Currier, a shoemaker in Newton, New Hampshire, worked in this building in the 1890's. In the Merrimack Valley, where Newton is located, were hundreds of these little shops. Farmers built them in their barnyards and in the winter turned out, with help, as many as 25 pairs of women's slippers daily. Currier had one of the first shops equipped with machines. A steam engine, which can be seen in the back room of the shop, drove the stitching machine and buffer. Some of the other objects shown in the shop are the rack upon which shoes were dried (they were sewed together wet, being more pliable), cutting patterns, a leather-splitting machine, and a stitching machine which also processed thread with home-made wax. The cobbler hung finished uppers and lowers on wires from the ceiling. He was an industrious craftsman; worked all day, and then lighted his smoky kerosene lantern and worked late into the night.

Around the corner on Christie Street stands the toll *House Shoe Shop*. It was erected in 1828 on the banks of the Merrimack River beside a covered bridge linking Rock Village with West Newbury, Massachusetts. The first toll collector made shoes as a sideline, and the majority of his successors followed the trade. The toll rates are posted outside on a large sign nailed against one wall. On a corner hangs an outdoor coal oil lamp that once attracted the night traveler. Inside are many things of interest; a rabbit gun, a telescope, the cobbler's violin, and



Toll House Shoe Shop

shelves filled with shoes made by the craftsman working there. John Greenleaf Whittier, the American poet, was fond sitting in this shop. He wrote in "The Countess" of "tollman in his cobbler's stall."

Standing adjacent to the Toll House Shoe Shop may be seen the *Tintype Studio*. This little shop was built in Greenfield Village to represent the tintype studios that were so common in the larger communities between 1880-1890. The small room to the right of the entrance is the darkroom and directly across is the primping room where women would retire to straighten their curls or ready their bonnets for the photographer.

In the studio may be seen a tintype camera with four lenses capable of taking four exposures at one time. A mohair posing chair with the stiff headrest behind it may

also be seen. A large wall case in the studio contains tintypes of many famous persons who have visited Greenfield Village.



Tintype Studio

Tintyping is still carried on in this little shop, and the visitor may pose as his mother or grandmother did to have

a tintype portrait taken to be proudly inserted in the family album.

Directly across the street from the Tintype Studio is the unique clapboard *Post Office and Apothecary Shop* from Phoenixville, Connecticut. This little structure was erected in 1803 and is the oldest registered post office in operation today. At the time of its commissioning there were but seventeen existing states.

The doorway and shutters are of two layers of wood fastened with hand-forged nails to prevent warping. Hinges, latches, iron bars for the shutters, and hooks to hold them

back are original handmade fixtures. In the many-paned windows are blue bottles and brown flasks. Rough and unfinished inside, hand-split laths show through an unplastered section of wall.

In the Apothecary section are shelves of bottles, drugs and liquors for medicinal purposes, tonics, and elixirs. Back of the wood stove is a case of drawers filled with herbs. Atop the case is a jar for leeches, and tall bottles of colored water that marked the apothecary's trade. On the left is a counter with a partition at one end, back of which the chemist mixed his cures. A small glass peephole in the partition enabled him to keep an eye on customers.



Village Post Office

Included in this section of the book are the four shops in Greenfield Village devoted to clocks and watchmaking.

The first of these, the *Sir John Bennett Jewelry Shop*, may be seen on Cheapside Street below the Village "green."



Sir John Bennett Jewelry Shop

Approaching the building, the visitor sees Gog and Magog, giant effigies of old London, standing in a wide, deep alcove in the second story above the doorway. Dressed in Roman warriors' garb, Gog and Magog step from legends of two giants captured by the Romans and chained to London's gates during Caesar's invasion. By striking different-toned bells with hammers held in their

mighty hands, and assisted by two smaller figures, Father Time and the Angel, they announce the time to the Village every quarter hour.

Sir John Bennett was not dependent on the effigies for fame. He held watchmaking appointments to royalty and government offices in the last century, and his firm is famous in London today. In the shop some of his watches are displayed with other watches and jewelry. Much of the facade and Gog and Magog are originally from the English jeweler's building at 65 Cheapside Street, London. The dignified, high-ceilinged interior is a duplicate that London visitors say is exact. Mahogany wall cases and counters contain watches and clocks, silverware and jewelry. The oldest clock in the shop was made in 1630. Down a glass-doored channel in the wall, weights from the clock-works slowly descend. There are three of them; one controls the bell in the tower, another the high clock, and the third weighing 709 pounds, gives power to Gog and Magog.

Around the corner, facing Washington Boulevard, is another jeweler's establishment, the *Grimm Jewelry Store*. Erected at 2033 Michigan Avenue in Detroit, it was the first jeweler's shop on that street. Englebert Grimm opened it in 1878. Henry Ford as a youth sometimes stopped in the store to chat with the owner or buy parts to repair watches.



Magill Jewelry Shop

Around the corner on Cheapside Street, near the 58 Bagley Avenue workshop of Henry Ford, stands the *Magill Jewelry Shop*. It was operated over 50 years ago by Mr. Magill, when the establishment stood at 444 Baker Street in Detroit. In one of the two front windows stands a jeweler's bench, and on it is a rack from which hangs watches taken in for repairs or regulating. Inside are polished wood shelves and counters filled

with clocks and watches. Grandfather clocks stand on all sides, and against the red cloth covering on the walls hang the once-popular, octagon-shaped pendulum clocks. A shining brass and copper gas chandelier hangs from the center of the ceiling.

In the back is a workroom furnished with tools and a bench where Henry Ford cleaned and repaired time-pieces as a lad of 16. He worked four hours a night for Mr. Magill and made 50 cents to supplement the weekly \$2.50 earned in the daytime at the Flower Brothers Machine Shop.

The last of the buildings devoted to clocks and watch-making is the *Swiss Watchmakers' Chalet*. Since this building also served as a home it is fitting that it should be placed in the Residential Section of Greenfield Village. It may be seen standing near the Lane opposite the Edison Homestead.

The Swiss Watchmakers' Chalet reproduces a type found in the Jura Mountains of the Neuchatel district in Switzerland. The interior includes a shop with tools and equipment for watch manufacture. A sundial is on the front of the building.

Across the street from the Magill Jewelry Shop stands a shrine to the accomplishments of Wilbur and Orville Wright who began a new era in transportation. This building, the *Wright Brothers Cycle Shop*, is the place where the two brothers built bicycles and produced the motor and parts of the first successful airplane. This historic structure formerly stood at 1127 W. Third Street, Dayton, Ohio, and was remodeled in 1896 before being occupied by the Wright Brothers. Prior to entering the bicycle manufacturing business, they had printed



Wright Brothers Cycle Shop, birthplace
of the airplane

a neighborhood newspaper in Dayton. After moving to Third Street they discontinued this work and the printing equipment was placed in one of the upper rooms and lent to a friend who used it for job work.

Much of the original machinery which the brothers used to manufacture the first airplane has been found with the assistance of Orville Wright, and has been replaced in the shop in the exact location where it stood in 1903 when the plane was made. The wind tunnel which the brothers used in making many of their discoveries in aerodynamics has been reconstructed, and has also been placed in the shop.





Clinton Inn

AROUND THE GREEN

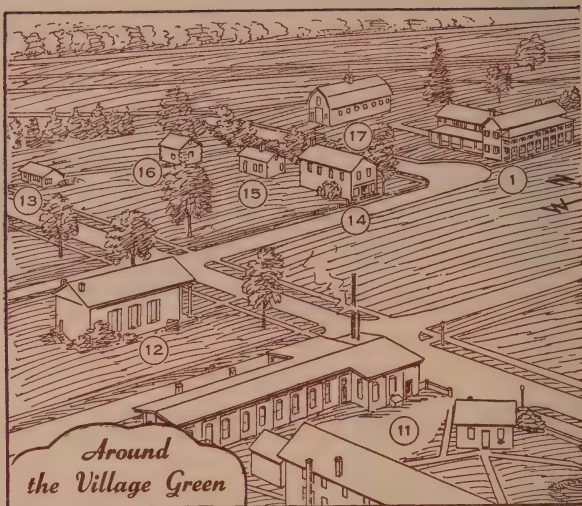


IN GREENFIELD VILLAGE, the public buildings center about the "green" as did those of the early American communities. Around this spot stands the General Store, the Inn, the Chapel, the School, the Court-house, and the Town Hall.

The first building entered on a tour of the "green" is the *General Store*, a two-story structure that served as the principal store of Waterford, Michigan, after its erection in 1854. Its equipment and stock are typical of that period. Original counters, spice and coffee grinders, cracker barrels, hoop-skirts, fancy jewelry, slates, and comic valentines are among the articles to be seen here.



Waterford General Store



Adjacent to the General Store stands the *Clinton Inn*, a typical hostelry of a century ago which stood in Clinton, Michigan, on the great Sauk Indian Trail. Early stage-coaches leaving Detroit for Chicago made this their first overnight stop.

The public rooms of the Inn are furnished in keeping with the original furnishings, from the everyday parlor with its rag carpet and Currier and Ives prints to the Sunday parlor with its haircloth-covered furniture, lace window curtains, and ornamental fireplace. In the tap-room travelers, wagoners, and local folks gathered to swap news and gossip before retiring. A number of interesting prints are on the walls, and a poster dating back to the War of 1812. A collection of old bottles includes a Booz Log Cabin bottle, Dr. Fisch's Bitters, and the popular Tiffany-ware type. From a hook thrust into the central



BUILDINGS

1. Clinton Inn
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10. Slave Huts
11. Menlo Park
12. Town Hall
13. Post Office
14. Waterford General Store
15. Gardner House
16. Pioneer Log Cabin
17. Livery Stable

ceiling beam, a three-candle, ratchet chandelier is suspended.

The quaint garden just beyond the Clinton Inn is an expression of the late Mrs. Henry Ford's interest in herb gardening. It is patterned after a thirteenth-century herb garden. Against a background of young evergreens there is a stone bench bearing the inscription "Garden of the Leavened Heart." Many kinds of herbs are to be found in this garden, from those commonly used for cookery such as sage and chives, to the less well-known tansy and wormwood. In the center of the garden, mounted on a very old stone pedestal brought here from London, England, is a brass sundial which bears the legend, "Ye Shaddowe Teecheth."

The *Martha-Mary Chapel*, overlooking the "green," was named for the mothers of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ford. The chapel is of colonial-classic architecture and in the

tower is a clear-toned bell cast by the son of Paul Revere.

Within the simple yet stately Chapel is a modern organ with over 1,500 pipes. Because of its size various measures were incorporated in the architecture of the interior to absorb and control its sound. Two of the most noticeable are the triple-paned windows and the coating of porous sand plaster on the walls and ceiling.

Non-sectarian services are conducted in the Chapel each week day morning by the children of the Greenfield Village Schools.

The brick schoolhouse which stands across the "green" from the Clinton Inn is the *Scotch Settlement School*, originally located in a community near Dearborn. Although the building is in use by the school today, it is furnished



Logan County Court House

as it was over 80 years ago. It has the old-fashioned stove, the kerosene lamps, old-style blackboards, the desks with carved initials, and even the old hand bell stands on the teacher's desk. But modern lighting, heating, and ventilation have been installed.

Nearby is the *Logan County Courthouse* from Lincoln, Illinois, where it was erected in 1840. As a young man, Abraham Lincoln occasionally practiced law in this building. The first floor was used as a courtroom, with the judge's bench at one end and a fireplace at the other.

Several pieces of Lincoln furniture are in the room, the original corner cupboard, fashioned by young "Abe" and his father, Lincoln's wardrobe, the table from a law office where he once practiced, and a number of chairs and other pieces from his Springfield home. Also in the Courthouse is the chair in which he was seated in the Washington theater on the night of his assassination.

In the shadow of the Courthouse are two *Slave Huts* from the Hermitage Plantation near Savannah, Georgia. They are typical in size and furnishings of the slave homes of the Old South, and are made of brickbats from a brickyard on the plantation.

Gracing the end of the "green," opposite the Martha-Mary Chapel, is the stately *Town Hall*. This building, with its classic Ionic columns, is typical of many town meeting places of the last century. Its use in the Village School System will be explained in that chapter



Slave Huts





Henry Ford Birthplace

HOMES OF THE VILLAGE



THIS section of Greenfield Village is devoted almost entirely to homes and for that reason is referred to as the Residential Section. Although most of the homes are furnished, no one resides in them.

Among the homes are birthplaces of famous Americans; these buildings were brought here to be preserved as memorials. Others serve as examples of architecture from different periods of our country's history. Some of these buildings which are used by the School System cannot be entered.

Located near the Logan County Courthouse is a small cabin known as the *George Washington Carver Memorial*. It was built in the summer of 1942 in honor of this famous scientist. Dr. Carver, who was well-known for his experiments with the peanut, sweet potato, and pecan, lived in this cabin for a short time.

The small frame cottage next to the Carver Memorial is known as the *Mattox House*. It was originally located at Richmond Hill, Georgia, and was used in the days of slavery.

Adjoining the Mattox House is the *Birthplace of Wil-*

William Holmes McGuffey. The birthplace of this pioneer educator and author of the *McGuffey Eclectic Readers* stood originally in Washington County, Pennsylvania on the Holmes homestead, and is furnished with McGuffey furniture.

The *McGuffey School*, a part of the school system described later in the book, is located appropriately near the birthplace.



Carver Memorial

Across the Lane are seen the homes of a school teacher and a journalist. The school teacher, John Brainard Chapman, was one of Henry Ford's early instructors. He lived in this building, appropriately named the *Chapman House*, when it was located about two miles north of Greenfield Village on a wooded trail close to the Rouge River and the old Ann Arbor stagecoach route.

The *Adams House* was the abode of a Baptist minister at Saline, Michigan, shortly after the Civil War. In it, George Matthew Adams, prominent newspaper columnist, was born.

The little grey building next to the Adams House

is known as the *Steinmetz Camp*. In 1896 Charles Steinmetz, the hunchback wizard of electricity, built this summer camp on the banks of Viele Creek which flows into the Mohawk River near Schenectady, New York.



Mattox House

It was here that Steinmetz found the rest and quiet which he needed to write his series

of electrical textbooks. Born in Breslau, Germany, in 1865, Steinmetz died an American citizen in 1923.

A neat white house, the *Stephen Foster Memorial House*, stands above the banks of the Suwanee River in Greenfield Village. Long thought to be Foster's birthplace, the house was erected around 1830 in Lawrenceville, Pennsylvania on land which had once belonged to the father of America's famous folk song composer. In the memorial house are many heirlooms of the Foster family, which were presented by descendants of



Stephen Foster Memorial

Henry Foster, Stephen's older brother.

Entering the main doorway the visitor finds himself in a large central hallway which runs the length of the home and opens on a spacious porch in the rear. It is from this hallway, which served as a dining room, that all the rooms on the first floor are entered. Above the mantel in the parlor is a painting of Stephen Foster, who composed his first song at the early age of fourteen. Opposite this room is the master bedroom with its four-poster bed and comfortable barrel-back chair. Behind this room is the kitchen with its large, well-constructed fireplace where the family cooking was done. A smaller bedroom completes the arrangement of the first floor. A small stairway off the dining room leads to two small bedrooms on the second floor.

On an adjoining corner is the *Birthplace of Luther Burbank*. This home was erected in Lancaster, Massachusetts, and it was here that the famous horticulturalist was born on March 7, 1849.

Burbank was a studious youth with a skill for things mechanical and a keen interest in plant life. As he grew into young manhood his health failed and this gave him an opportunity to spend many hours in the sunshine where he devoted the majority of his time to the study and experimentation of plants.

A few years later, at the age of 24, he developed the Burbank potato, which was superior to any existing variety. For this work he received a prize and it is said that he

used the money to migrate to Santa Rosa, California. A short time later he established a nursery where he performed thousands of experiments and contributed many new species of plants for which he has since become famous.

He died on April 11, 1926, at the age of 77.

The stone building across the Lane from the birthplace of Luther Burbank is the *Swiss Watchmaker's Chalet*. It is a type of combined home and workshop to be found in the Jura Mountains of northern Switzerland. Most of the doorways, windows, and iron-work, as well as much of the equipment of the interior, are from a Swiss structure. On the front of the building and above the main door is a sundial which indicates the work done there. The Latin inscription across the top of the dial, when translated, reads "After Darkness, Light."

Adjoining the Swiss Chalet is the *Ann Arbor House*, a two-story frame home that for many years was a familiar landmark on the University of Michigan campus at Ann Arbor, where Robert Frost, American poet, lived during



Ann Arbor House

his tenure of an honorary fellowship. It was built in 1830 and has considerable artistic interest as an example of American architecture during the "Greek Revival" period. The part it plays in the Village School System is described in that chapter.

Directly across from the Ann Arbor House is a low frame structure known as the *Edison Homestead*. It was originally located in Vienna, Western Ontario, Canada,

and was the home of Thomas A. Edison's father and grandfather. This building is mentioned in greater detail in the chapter dealing with Menlo Park and the Edison Buildings.

Standing near the Ann Arbor House is the *Noah Webster House*, home of the great American lexicographer, Noah Webster. It stood on the campus of Yale University at New Haven, Connecticut, from its erection in 1822 until 1937, when it was removed to make way for more modern buildings. It was while living in this home that Noah Webster compiled his famous dictionary.

The next home down the Lane is the *Secretary House*, from Exeter, New Hampshire, a type of well-to-do residence of early Eighteenth Century New England. It served as a home for the first Secretary of State of New Hampshire.



Secretary House

In tracing the development of the American home, Greenfield Village has gone back to old England for its beginnings, and has brought from the Cotswold region a cottage group, illustrating the home of our English forefathers in the first half of the Seventeenth Century. Inhabitants of that region derived most of their revenue from sheep-raising, and their homes were built largely of native sandstone and limestone.

In keeping with their simple rugged habits, the furniture in the *Rose Cottage* is sturdy, simply constructed of stout oak, with severe lines. The fireside settee in the first room dates back to the early 1600's, about the time of



Rose Cottage, Cotswold Group

Charles I. Nearby is a hutch table-chair combining the features of chest, seat, and table, the back being hinged on pegs at the arm.

On top of the side-table rests a Bible chest that was so popular at the beginning of the Seventeenth Century. The trestle table against the west wall is also an historic type, its top being permanently attached.

Lighting methods of the time are illustrated by several different forms, including many types of rush lamps in which dried rushes soaked in oil were clamped and lighted. Another method is illustrated in the examples of the Betty lamp, which used a wick floating in a reservoir of grease.

The leaded windows of the cottage are early examples of the glass-maker's art. Two of the windows contain bull's-eyes caused when the pontil was separated from the heated glass.

In front of the fireplace in the second room is a kidney iron or spit for roasting meat. The seat of the fireside settle in this room is hinged, and the space beneath was used for storage or as a wood-box. The high back helped to keep cold drafts from the shoulders of those sitting there. The table in this room is an early drop-leaf type, put to-



Cotswold Forge

MAP OF GREEN



FIELD VILLAGE



MAP LEGEND

1. Henry Ford Birthplace
2. Edsel Ford Workshop
3. 58 Bagley Avenue Shop
4. Miller School
5. Wright Cycle Shop
6. Wright Birthplace
7. Magill Jewelry Store
8. Heinz House
9. Grimm Jewelry Shop
10. Sir John Bennett Jewelry Shop
11. West Orange Laboratory
- 12-19. Edison's Menlo Park Compound
12. Carbon Shed
13. Electric Train
14. Carpenter Shed
15. Machine Shop
16. Glass House
17. Laboratory
18. Laboratory Dump
19. Office and Library
20. Sarah Jordan Boarding House
21. Fort Myers Laboratory
22. Tollhouse-Shoeshop
23. Ackley Covered Bridge
24. Susquehanna House
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35. Stephen Foster Memorial
36. Steamboat "Suwanee"
37. Steinmetz Cabin
38. George Matthew Adams Birthplace
39. McGuffey School
40. McGuffey Birthplace
41. Mattox House
42. Chapman House
43. Carver Memorial
44. Logan County Courthouse
45. Slave Quarters
46. Scotch Settlement School
47. Martha-Mary Chapel
48. Herb Garden
49. Clinton Inn
50. Village Barn
51. Pioneer Log Cabin
52. Gardner House
53. Waterford General Store
54. Town Hall
55. Dr. Howard's Office
56. Phoenixville Post Office
57. Tintype Studio
58. Plymouth House
59. Smiths Creek Depot
60. Steam Powered Saw
61. Water Tower
62. Electrical Generating Unit
63. Edison Illuminating Company
64. Currier Shoe Shop
65. Kingston Cooper Shop
66. Village Blacksmith Shop
67. Village Lunch Stand
68. Plymouth Carding Mill
69. Hanks Silk Mill
70. Deluge Fire House
71. Lapeer Machine Shop
72. Sandwich Glass Plant
73. Armington and Sims Machine Shop
74. Loranger Gristmill
75. Village Print Shop
76. Ford Barn
77. Floral Clock
78. Planing Mill
79. Harahan Sugar Mill
80. Greenhouse
81. Cotton Gin Mill
82. Fairfield Rice Mill
83. Stony Creek Sawmill
84. Spofford Sawmill
85. Walking Beam Engine
86. Haycock Boiler
87. Boiler Shop
88. Martinsville Cider Mill
89. Richart Carriage Shop
90. Tripp Sawmill
91. Mack Avenue Plant
92. Macon Brick Works
93. Haggerty Power House
94. Education Building
95. Chemical Laboratory
96. Burbank Garden Office

☼ Rest Rooms



Cape Cod Windmill

gether with wooden pegs, and has the spiral twist leg popular in the Jacobean period.

Adjacent to the Rose Cottage are the *Barn* and *Dove Cote*. Also nearby is the *Cotswold Forge* where a blacksmith may be seen at work, which completes the group of buildings portraying English architecture of the Cotswold region during the Seventeenth Century.

Across the Lane from the Cotswold group stands the *Cape Cod Windmill*. Its resemblance to the Dutch windmills is undoubtedly explained by the fact that it was built by Pilgrim settlers who had spent some years in Holland before coming to the New World. It is generally believed to be the oldest existing windmill in America.

The long spar extending from the roof and resting on a large wheel is a lever for turning the sails into the wind. It also helps to hold the roof in place. The millstones are mounted on the second floor and are turned by wooden gears connected to the sails.

The small red home near the Cape Cod Wind-



Susquehanna House

mill is the *Plympton House*, oldest of the American homes in the Village and one of the oldest in the country. Its history goes back to Sudbury, Massachusetts, in the Seventeenth Century. Thomas Plympton, who built this home, came to Sudbury in 1643 and was slain by the Indians in 1676.

The white frame house with dormer windows and wide verandas running the length of the front and back is known as the *Susquehanna House*. It was built in 1652 and stood in southern Maryland for nearly 300 years at the mouth of the Patuxent River overlooking Chesapeake Bay. It was the home of Christopher Rousby, who was the King's Collector of Customs in Maryland.

There are other homes which are not located in the residential section of Greenfield Village.

The first of these, the *Gardner House*, is located not far from the Clinton Inn. It is a typical pioneer home of a century ago, erected about the time Michigan became a state. It was originally located near Dearborn. The downstairs consists of two rooms, a combination kitchen and living room on one side, and a bedroom on the other, separated by a central fireplace.

Next to the Gardner House is the *Michigan Pioneer Log Cabin*. In early days it stood near the boyhood home of Henry Ford, and was the abode of a hermit and naturalist. It is furnished in keeping with that period. In the yard at the rear is an outdoor oven and an upright hollow log used for smoking meats.

Standing on the corner of Christie and Main Streets, across from the Toll House Shoe Shop, is the *Plymouth House*. It was built about the middle of the Nineteenth Century in Plymouth, Michigan, and represents another type of modest mid-western home.

The *Wright Home* where Orville Wright was born in 1871, and in which the Wright brothers grew up, now



Pioneer Log Cabin



Wright Homestead

stands beside the Wright Cycle Shop. Wilbur Wright died in this house in 1912. In 1892, Wilbur and Orville Wright added the front porch and an inside stairway. On a neighbor's lathe Wilbur personally turned the big posts and Orville made the small turnings for the porch.

Some of the furniture which the Wrights used in this house has been found and replaced in it.

Located appropriately near 58 Bagley Avenue is the *Henry Ford Birthplace*. It was in this building that Henry Ford was born on July 30, 1863. It was built on the dividing line between Dearborn and Springwells Townships. The house, the white picket fence, the barn, and the shed are arranged in their original positions. The home contains much of the original furniture and pictures, and stands as a tribute to Henry Ford's mother, Mary Litogot Ford.





The Laboratory

MENLO PARK

MENLO PARK, New Jersey, is situated between Rahway and Metuchen on the Pennsylvania Railroad. In 1876 Edison built a two-story clapboard structure here and made it his laboratory. And it was here that Edison achieved those brilliant discoveries that resulted in the creation of the electrical industries and many others, giving us a new world.

The *Laboratory*, the main place of research, was surrounded by several other buildings. There were an *Office and Library* of brick, two stories tall; the *Little Glass House*, a wooden shed where the glass parts of the incandescent lamp were blown; the *Carbon Shed*, where the carbon buttons for Edison's telephone transmitters were made; the *Carpenter Shed*, housing also the machine for manufacturing gas for illuminating purposes; the large one-story brick *Machine Shop* where Edison developed his early generators and electric light equipment.

These buildings may be seen in Greenfield Village today enclosed in a rectangular yard surrounded by a white picket fence. They are reconstructed from, or replicas

of, those used by Edison at Menlo Park. The buildings are in their original orientation.

Visitors entering the yard will note the reddish color of the soil, different from that in the rest of the Village. This is due to the fact that Henry Ford has surrounded the buildings with soil from Menlo Park, New Jersey.

THE BUILDINGS

The *Little Glass House* was originally used as a photographic studio by Edison. During 1879, this building became the shop where the first successful lamp bulb was blown. This is the original structure. The attic has been

restored to appear as when the glass blower lived there; among other things it contains a zither such as he played.

In the yard was the pit where broken apparatus was thrown. The pit has been reproduced, and alongside is a glass case containing relics recovered from the original dump. Other relics

may be observed in the case in the Glass House and on the shelves on the first floor of the Menlo Park Laboratory.

Adjoining the long glass case beside the dump is a smaller one preserving the stump of a tree that stood in the Menlo Park yard in 1878 and many years after.

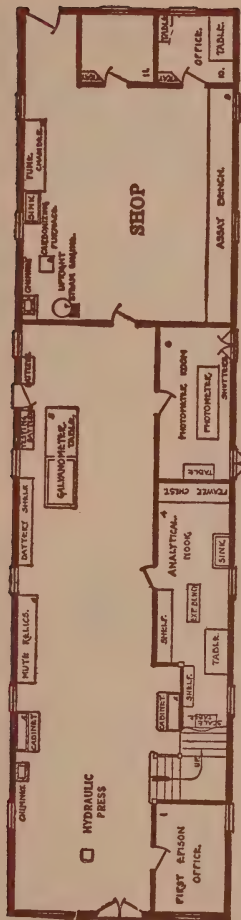
The *Machine Shop* is historically the first central station for incandescent lighting in the world. It houses early Edison dynamos, the original boiler from Menlo Park, the first electric light chandeliers,



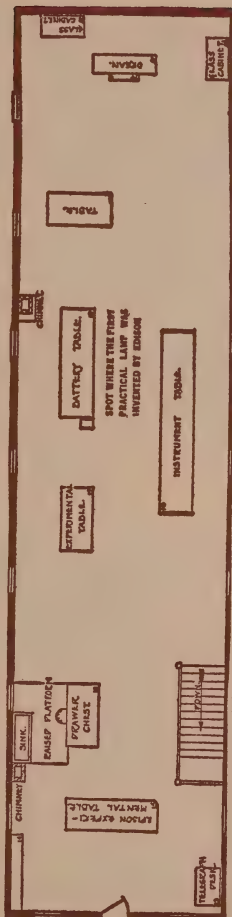
Little Glass House



Machine Shop



Floor Plan, Ground Floor, Edison Laboratory, Menlo Park



Floor Plan, Second Floor, Edison Laboratory, Menlo Park

and other relics. Adjoining it is an annex containing a battery of generators such as furnished current for lighting the town of Menlo Park.

The electric railway, first of its kind in the United States, was built by Edison in Menlo Park in 1880. The first run was made during May of that year with about 20 passengers enjoying the ride. In the glass shelter may be seen the original electric locomotive as restored, together with replicas of the two cars that the locomotive hauled over the short track.

Two small buildings, the *Carpenter Shed* and the *Carbon Shed*, adjoin the Laboratory. In the former was housed the distillation plant for the manufacture of gas. In the latter a row of kerosene lamps was caused to smoke at night, forming lampblack for use in the manufacture of telephone transmitters. During the night the watchman made frequent trips to the shed to scrape this lampblack from the flue of the lamps. Outside the fence is another Edison structure the *West Orange Laboratory* building of Thomas A. Edison, Incorporated, of West Orange, New Jersey. Some of Edison's last work on ore experiments was conducted in this building.

THE LABORATORY

On the second floor of the *Laboratory* Edison produced the first practical incandescent lamp and worked out his electric lighting system. The first phonograph along with numerous other inventions, including the microphone and telephone transmitter, were developed by Edison in this building. Francis Jehl, who assisted Edison in the invention of the incandescent lamp, was in charge of the *Laboratory* until he passed away early in 1941. Restored to appear as it was in Edison's day, it contains original instruments and apparatus, as well as models of many of his inventions.

Many relics were salvaged by Henry Ford while he was directing the excavation of the old Menlo Park site. Among them were the broken parts of the old laboratory mortar. He personally cemented the parts together and presented the restored mortar to Edison in 1929. The bowl may be seen on the second floor of the *Laboratory*. Edison placed the bowl on the chest of drawers where it had always stood. Seated in his old chair near this chest,

he demonstrated to Henry Ford how he prepared his experimental carbon filaments. The articles on this cabinet remain as he arranged them at that time.

The historic spot where the incandescent lamp was invented may be seen in the center of the room, where an upright wooden stand supports a mercury air pump. Close by is the yellow armchair in which the inventor sat while he watched the "life" test of his experimental lamps. The final test ended October 21, 1879, marking the discovery of the first practical lamp.

At the re-enactment of the invention on its fiftieth anniversary, Edison sat in the same chair, and President Hoover and Henry Ford stood in the background. On the stepladder was Francis Jehl, operating the pump as he did 50 years before.

At the corner of Woodbridge and Christie streets is the *Office and Library*. This building had been dismantled. Only one shutter of the original was located, but in each



Office and Library, Menlo Park

new shutter a part of the old has been placed. The brickyard that supplied Edison for the original structure supplied the brick with which the building has been restored.

THOMAS ALVA EDISON

Thomas Alva Edison, inventor, scientist, and discoverer, was born in Milan, Ohio, on February 11, 1847, and died at West Orange, New Jersey, on October 18, 1931. In 1854 his parents moved to Port Huron, Michigan. While

he was growing up here he evinced an exceptional desire for knowledge and experimenting. His active spirit also led him into many boyish enterprises.

In 1859 young Edison became a train boy selling newspapers and candies on trains of the Grand Trunk Railway running between Port Huron and Detroit.

In 1862 he printed a weekly newspaper, the *Herald*, and started a laboratory in one of the baggage cars attached to the train. In this same year, while alighting one day at the Mount Clemens station, he saw the little son of J. U. Mackenzie, the station master, playing on a side track, unaware of an oncoming boxcar. Throwing down his newspapers, he dashed to the rescue of the child. The station master out of gratitude for this heroic act taught him telegraphy.

Edison soon learned the art and toward the end of 1862 obtained his first job as an operator in Port Huron. Then the wanderlust seized him, and he worked his way as a journeyman telegraph operator in many cities of the Middle West. During these years he also studied and experimented.

In 1868 he went to Boston as an operator for the Western Union, which was his last job of the kind. Edison acquired the reputation of being one of the fastest and most proficient telegraph operators in the country.

In Boston he made his first patented invention, the "vote recorder." The year 1869 found him in New York City. Here opportunity presented itself at the Gold & Stock Telegraph Company's offices, where the master instrument got out of order and only Edison was able to set it right. A good position at \$300 a month was the result.

Later in the year he went into partnership with a firm of telegraph engineers, which shortly, however, was absorbed by the Western Union Telegraph Company. He improved the stock ticker and added other inventions, among them the "unison stop," an important device in stock ticker operation.

Edison sold his inventions for \$40,000 and went to Newark, New Jersey, where he opened a shop and laboratory at 10-12 Ward Street (1870). While he was manufacturing Gold & Stock tickers and carrying on various experiments, he was also assisting C. L. Sholes in making a practical typewriter. This happened in 1871. In 1872 he perfected

his automatic telegraph system and in 1873 went to England to demonstrate it. In 1874 he perfected his duplex and quadruplex systems of telegraphy, the latter saving about \$20,000,000 in lines. For this patent he received \$30,000.

In 1874 he discovered the electromotograph principle and employed it to make a telegraph relay, the patent for which brought him \$100,000, and in 1879 he used the same idea in the construction of his chalk or loud receiving telephone, which brought him \$150,000. In 1875 he invented the Edison electric pen, the father of autographic duplication. This patent and that of the mimeograph were sold to the A. B. Dick Company of Chicago. His inventions included many other systems of telegraphy, among which were the printing, chemical or automatic, harmonic, and acoustic systems; district signal boxes; sextuplex, facsimile, multiplex, Roman letter automatic systems and, some years later, train telegraphy—a system of communication from a moving train.

In 1876 Edison moved to Menlo Park, New Jersey, in order to devote himself entirely to research work. What he accomplished there, resulting in inestimable gifts to mankind, is known to all the world. In early 1877 he invented the carbon telephone transmitter, which has formed the companion of the Bell telephone receiver everywhere. At the same time he invented the carbon, the condenser, and the dynamic microphones used in radio transmission. In this year, also, he invented the phonograph.

In 1878 he invented the central station supply system for the electrical transmission of light, heat, and power, and in 1879 the first practical incandescent lamp; the first efficient constant potential with low-resistance armature dynamo; the first constant potential electric motor for the 110-volt lighting circuit; the first electric light meter, lamp socket, switches, fuses, insulating tape—in short, a complete system of current distribution. In 1880 he made the first electric locomotive having a highly efficient motor with low-resistance armature and a magnetic field composed of a shunt and series winding that is compounded.

In 1883 he invented the "Edison Effect Lamp," which years later became the basis of the radio tube. In 1885 he invented a high frequency wireless system employing directional and non-directional antennas (U. S. patent

No. 307,031). This patent was sold some years later to G. Marconi when the latter commenced his great researches in wireless. In 1891 Edison invented the first practical motion picture camera and in 1900 the alkaline storage battery.

During his long life Edison contributed many other inventions to man's comfort and happiness.

OTHER EDISON BUILDINGS

Most of the Edison buildings are located on or near Christie Street. In addition to Menlo Park there are other structures marking important phases of the inventor's life and work. Across Christie Street and a short distance beyond the Office and Library is a dwelling which stands

in the Village as it originally stood in Menlo Park.



Sarah Jordan's Boarding House

Mrs. Sarah Jordan's Boarding House was the home of several of Edison's workmen. Wires were run to it from the Machine Shop for the first successful demonstration of the electric light outside the Edison workshops. Thus it was the first house lighted by his incandescent lamp.

Adjoining the boarding house is the *Laboratory* used at Fort Myers, Florida, during the winter months. The structure was brought to the Village from Florida and set up in 1928 and on the completion of this, Edison came to Dearborn and started the steam engine in its new home. It was in this laboratory that much of his work in seeking a suitable plant from which to extract rubber was done.

Looking across the meadow from this point one may see a low rambling dwelling, the *Edison Homestead*. This is the oldest of the Edison buildings for it was the home of his grandfather in Vienna, Ontario, near the north

shore of Lake Erie. Samuel Edison, the father of the inventor, grew to manhood in Vienna, and in this house was married to Nancy Elliot, the village school teacher, who became the inventor's mother.



Fort Meyers Laboratory

During the Rebellion of 1837 Samuel Edison sided against the government and a price was placed on his head. While the soldiers were ransacking the homestead, he fled across the winter snow to the American boundary and escaped into the United States. After wandering along the border states and as far south as Ohio, he settled in Milan.

Two other structures of special significance in the Edison story lie at the north end of Christie Street. One of these is the *Smith's Creek Depot*. It was at this station that young Edison, a boy of 15 years, was ejected from the Grand Trunk train on which he worked as a news agent. While he was experimenting with chemicals in the baggage car, a bottle of phosphorous accidentally spilled on the floor and caught fire, whereupon he and his laboratory were dropped off by the conductor. This depot stood originally on the Detroit-Port Huron route a few miles south of Port Huron in Smith's Creek, Michigan.

On October 21, 1929, in celebration of Light's Golden Jubilee, the old-time train, now in The Henry Ford Museum, drew up at this platform to discharge its passengers. The President of the United States took Edison by the arm and led him to the same platform on which he had been deposited by the conductor 67 years earlier.

Another interesting building is the reproduction, in part,



Smith's Creek Depot

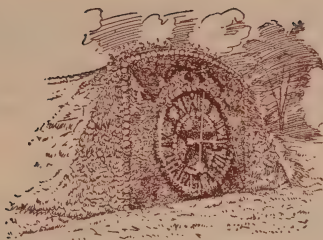
of the original *Edison Illuminating Company Plant*. This building was the first central station for the Edison system of incandescent lighting in the city of Detroit. It was built in 1886 at the southeast corner of Washington and State Streets, and may still be seen there today. At present the building is used as the downtown office of the Detroit Edison Company.

Henry Ford worked for the Edison Illuminating Company from 1891 to 1899, spending his spare time working on his idea for a gasoline-powered car. His first job with the company was as an engineer at the salary of \$40 per month. Before long he had a chance to demonstrate his practical knowledge. The Beck engine broke down and he repaired it by rebuilding the cross-head and putting on additional supports to keep it from twisting and breaking. Because of his successful job, he was made machinist for the company. On November 16, 1893, he was made chief engineer.

Some of the original equipment to be found in this reproduction are two Armington & Sims engines, the No. 58 dynamo, and the Beck engine which Henry Ford repaired. Also of interest in this building is the original Jumbo dynamo from the Pearl Street Station in New York.



Edison Illuminating Company



Floral Clock

HERE AND THERE



IMMEDIATELY after leaving the entrance to Greenfield Village, old Detroiters experience considerable pleasure as they recognize the *Floral Clock* implanted in a mound of earth across the road. It formerly stood at the entrance of Waterworks Park where it was built in 1893. The dial design and numerals of the clock are formed by vari-colored plants. When it was decided to remove the old landmark, Henry Ford brought it to Greenfield Village because it had come to mean so much to Detroiters. The works originally were turned by water power; however, it is operated today by a weight and pendulum mechanism that must be wound at least once daily.

Telanthera plants, in various colors, are used in the design of both the border of the innermost circle of the dial, and the outside border, as well as the large center star. Several thousand plants are in the dial, and require constant watering and trimming. They are imbedded in soil six inches deep held in place by wire mesh. During the winter the plants are replaced by a painted replica.

LUTHER BURBANK OFFICE

The little, dark brown structure to the extreme left of the Floral Clock is the office and study which was used by

Luther Burbank, the noted horticulturalist and plant experimenter, at his nursery at Santa Rosa, California.

Ford and Edison frequently visited Burbank in this building in its original location. Two years after Luther Burbank's death in 1926, the building was brought to the Village.

DELUGE FIRE HOUSE

The Village Fire Department is housed in a shed across from the Carding Mill, distinguished by the small bell atop the roof that once called townsmen for fire duty when a blaze was reported. The name "Deluge" on a plate above the doorway seems to overrate the mechanism inside, of which Whittier once wrote "The engine wet all around but kindly spared the fire." It is of the suction type built in 1845 by the Hunneman Fire Engine Works for Rocks Village, Massachusetts.

Operation was simple. Firemen pumped the two long levers at each side, forcing water from the tub between them through hoses onto the fire. Twelve firemen were

needed. They generally volunteered without hesitation, for there was honor in the position, and they dressed themselves in elaborate capes, with fancy belts and highly ornamented hats, thus reducing their efficiency considerably.

The visitor can see much of the old equipment of the volunteers hanging on the walls of the shed, or on the engine.

The white pine building once housed the village hearse in Newton, New Hampshire.



The "Deluge"

OWL NIGHT LUNCH WAGON

Adjacent to the Deluge Fire House stands the Owl Night Lunch Wagon. Near the turn of the last century

John M. Colquhoun was permitted to park this lunch wagon across from the Detroit City Hall for the sum of \$50.00 per year. From 6 p.m. until daybreak members of the local police department, newspapermen, businessmen, and anyone who happened to be near would patronize the Owl Lunch Stand.

STEAMER "SUWANEE"

The stern-wheeler *Suwanee* floats on the quiet waters of the Suwanee River in the valley just northeast of the Village "green." The Stephen Foster Memorial House overlooks the lagoon bearing the name of the river his song made famous. The boat was named after one Thomas Edison often used during winter months when he worked at Fort Myers, Florida. After the original boat had sunk, its engines were raised, and installed on the new *Suwanee* now at Greenfield Village. The steamer is kept in operating condition and has been used on several occasions by the children of the Greenfield Village Schools.



The "Suwanee"

ACKLEY COVERED BRIDGE

The sound of horses' hoofs pounding the wooden planks of the covered bridge brings a reflective moment to the reminiscent visitor. Walking from the Susquehanna House toward the Edison buildings one may see the picturesque *Ackley Covered Bridge*. It was built in 1832 and named for Joshua Ackley from whose estate in Maine the huge oak timbers were taken. The Covered Bridge spanned Wheeling Creek between West Finley Township, Washing-

ton County, and Richhill Township; Greene County, Pennsylvania.

Many explanations have been offered as to why a bridge was enclosed. The three found to be the most logical are: the box-like sides add strength to the structure; the covering protects the main beams from the deteriorating effect of the weather; it added beauty to the bridge.





Sandwich Glass Plant

THE INDUSTRIAL SECTION



ON THE left of Main Street, behind the craft shops, are a group of buildings which comprise the Industrial Section of Greenfield Village. Here may be seen mills and shops typical of those found in America following the Industrial Revolution of the last century.

The *Sandwich Glass Plant* north of the Lapeer Machine Shop was named for the one which produced glass in Sandwich, Massachusetts, more than a century ago. In it a glassblower fashions useful and ornamental articles, working with glass tubing. Heating a part of the tube to near the melting point, he produces the desired shape by blowing into the open end.

Nearby is the *Planing Mill* which was built in the Village for use in making doors, trim, and all machine wood-work for the Village buildings.

The *Sorghum Mill* is re-assembled from parts of an old sugar mill found in Louisiana near Harathan not far from New Orleans. The 90-year-old machinery stands on piers



Planing Mill

composed partly of bricks which formed their original foundations. On occasions, sorghum cane raised in adjacent fields was fed into the shredding and rollerpress machinery, to extract the juice. In place of the old method of heating

in pans over the fire, sorghum syrup that was made in the Village was passed into shallow defecating tanks, where it was heated by steam pipes, inducing impurities to rise in a foam which was skimmed off. It is estimated that from 80 to 40 gallons of syrup can be reduced in a day.

Located nearby is a *Cotton Gin Mill* from the Richmond Hill Plantation, Ways, Georgia. Natives of the district say that the frame structure was the only building on the plantation left standing by General Sherman when he passed through the district on his march to the sea.

The old *Rice Mill*, also from the South, was once situated on the Fairfield Plantation on the Waccamaw River near Georgetown, South Carolina. The old land grant which was given by King George III of England in 1769, is still in possession of lineal descendants of early owners.

The *Circular Sawmill* is used to cut lumber for use in construction. Logs are set on a carriage frame on a track and fed into the whirling teeth of the saw. The conveyor and saw are powered by separate steam engines. Timber is run into the building



Sorghum Mill

on small cars on a narrow gauge track, ready to be cut.

The little red *Cider Mill* was constructed in Greenfield Village to conform with old-fashioned cidermaking machinery. It formerly operated every fall when the freshly scrubbed apples were fed to the grinder and presses.

To the rear of the Cider Mill is the *Haycock Boiler*. Boilers of this type were called Haycock or spherical boilers because of their resemblance to an old-fashioned English haycock. They were the first boilers used for producing steam to operate the earliest practical steam engines.

The *Walking Beam Engine* stands at the rear of the Haycock Boiler. Used as a mine pump, it was brought from the Vacluse Mine in Orange County in the very heart of the Virginia gold fields, the locality in which George Washington grew to manhood.

The *Spoffard Sawmill*, on stone foundation, is one of the earliest American sawmills in existence that was water-powered. It was built in Georgetown, Massachusetts, during the Seventeenth Century by Deacon John Spoffard and acquired by his son Abner about 1682. It was in operation nearly every year since that time, and as a result much of the original mill was found in working condition when brought to the Village.

The *Mack Avenue Plant*, located near the Spoffard Sawmill, is a replica of the original which was located on Mack Avenue in Detroit. It was in this building from 1903 to 1906 that the early Ford cars were assembled. The building contains some of the original machinery and also contains a few of the original tools.

Near the Mack Avenue Plant is the *Brick and Tile Works*, which was originally located a few miles from Greenfield Village. Many plants like this flourished on the rich clay deposits of early Dearborn. Outside is an old brick machine which was reconditioned and used during the late nineteen-thirties, pressing out bricks to be baked for use in the Village.

The long, low building adjoining the Brick Works is the *Pottery Shop*. Erected as a working unit to show the old craft and new developments for small shops, the building is not patterned after any particular structure.

Occasionally using instruments to aid in the fashioning, but depending for the most part upon the skill of his hands,

the potter shapes the products of his art on a potter's wheel.

Not far from the Pottery Shop is the *Tripp Sawmill* which was brought from Franklin Township in Michigan, where it was built in 1855 by J. D. Tripp. Much Michigan timber went through this mill which the Tripps owned and operated until 1916. The vertical blade which flashes up and down, suspended between two floors of the building, has been used to cut lumber for constructional work in the Village.

The two-story structure with the wide ramp to the second floor is the *Macon Carriage Shop*. It was originally known as the Richart Wagon Shop, Farm Implement and Repair Shop; and it stood in Macon, Lenawee County, Michigan. It was built in 1850-51 and served as a shop for the making of wagons, buggies, bobsleds, and various farm implements.



Macon Carriage Shop



Scotch Settlement School

THE VILLAGE SCHOOLS



HE little red school house played an important part in the life of every early American community. It is fitting, therefore, that a real school system should be a part of the activities of Greenfield Village. The first schools in the Village were opened in the fall of 1929, with thirty-two children attending. At the present time, the Greenfield Village Schools include classes from kindergarten through sixth grade. Approximately one hundred fifty children are enrolled, all of whom live in the Dearborn area. In the past, the school system also included high school and college-level units.

The program of the Greenfield Village Schools is typical of a modern elementary school program, with several significant additions, and it conforms to the standards established by the Michigan State Department of Public Instruction.

The unique character of the schools is of course derived to a large degree from the historic setting in which classes meet. Each grade has for its classroom one of the

Village buildings, and the entire resources of Greenfield Village and The Henry Ford Museum are close at hand for further study. Instructional supplies and equipment are modern.

The buildings in use by the schools are seen on a tour of the Village. Of necessity, they are closed to the public during the school year, since classes could not be conducted effectively if the buildings were included in the tour.

The little red brick building which faces on the Village "green" will immediately be recognized by the visitor as a school. Although the *Scotch Settlement School* is in use today, it appears as it did over eighty years ago when Henry Ford attended classes there.

Gracing the end of the green opposite the Martha-Mary Chapel stands the *Town Hall School*, with its classic Ionic columns. The Town Hall building is of particular historical significance since it was built to resemble the town halls once so common in New England. It has been furnished with modern desks and other school equipment.

The small frame building located near the Wright Cycle Shop is a replica of the *Miller School*, which Henry Ford attended from 1872-74. It formerly stood on Chicago



Town Hall



Miller School

Road, now Michigan Avenue or US-112. Henry Ford's instructor at the Scotch Settlement School, John Brainard Chapman, was transferred to the Miller School and Mr. Ford changed schools at the same time to remain with his former teacher.

Behind the Lincoln Courthouse are the buildings of the McGuffey group. It is fitting that a memorial to William Holmes McGuffey has been established in Greenfield Village, for from the famous McGuffey Eclectic Readers several generations of Americans learned their lessons in morals and manners as well as in reading. The long, low structure is the *William Holmes McGuffey School*. It was constructed of logs from the farm where the birthplace of the pioneer educator originally stood.

Two buildings in the Residential section of Greenfield Village—the *Ann Arbor House* and the *Secretary House*—also are used in the school system. Their historical importance has been described in another section.

A number of the buildings included in the Village tour also serve in the program of the Greenfield Village Schools. The pupils commence the activities of each day by meeting in the *Martha-Mary Chapel*, where a non-sectarian service is conducted by the students themselves. They are served luncheon each noon in the *Clinton Inn*, and upstairs in the same building there is a regular classroom and a music room.

Art classes are held in a room on the second floor of the *Grimm Jewelry Store*, and pottery classes meet in the *Pottery Shop*. The inclusion of weaving classes (kindergarten through fourth grade) and pottery classes (grades five and six) is a significant addition to the normal elementary art program.

All classes from first through sixth grade have swimming as part of their physical education program, another unusual aspect of the schools. A modern gymnasium and swimming pool in the *Education Building* are used regularly by the students.

After completing the sixth grade, the pupils of the Greenfield Village Schools transfer to their local public school for the seventh grade and the completion of their high school education.



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Bayberry and Beeswax candles molded at Susquehanna House.

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Artistic blown vases, creamers and swans, made in the Sandwich Glass Plant.

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Spoons and buttons handmade in antique molds at the Pewter Shop.

Pottery

Hand-thrown vases, pitchers, plates and banks from the Pottery Shop.

Tintypes

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Handwrought trivets, forks, andirons, door knockers and stops from the Cotswold Forge.

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HENRY FORD AND THOMAS A. EDISON

HENRY FORD MUSEUM and GREENFIELD VILLAGE

Greenfield Village, adjoining the famous Henry Ford Museum, is an outdoor exhibit founded by Mr. Ford to preserve in one place a cross section of the American past. In its 200 acres at Dearborn, Michigan, are the homes and workshops of many great Americans. Henry Ford devoted years to re-claiming these historic places, often from ruin or decay at their original sites, and brought them together at Greenfield Village. His purpose was to show a slice of American history covering centuries, and trace American progress from the spinning wheel to the power loom, from the whale oil lamp to the electric light.

The traditions of Henry Ford and Thomas Edison, Lincoln, the Wright Brothers, Stephen Foster, Noah Webster, William McGuffey, George Washington Carver, and Luther Burbank are kept alive in Greenfield Village through places in which they lived and worked.

In the Village Craft Shops, the old hand-skills of weaving, pottery making, candle making, glass blowing and others are still practiced much as they were a century ago.



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58 BAGLEY AVENUE—HERE THE FIRST FORD CAR WAS BUILT IN 1896



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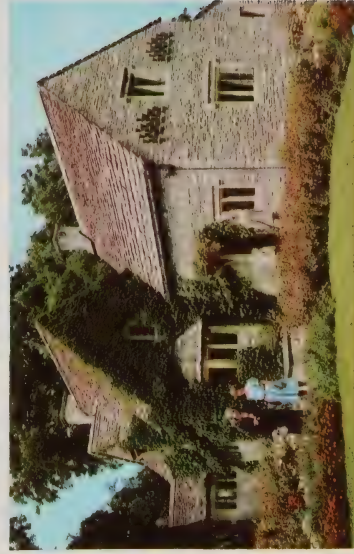
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THREE STAGES OF DEVELOPMENT OF STEAM LOCOMOTIVES



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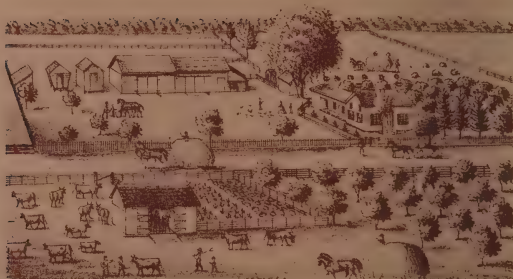
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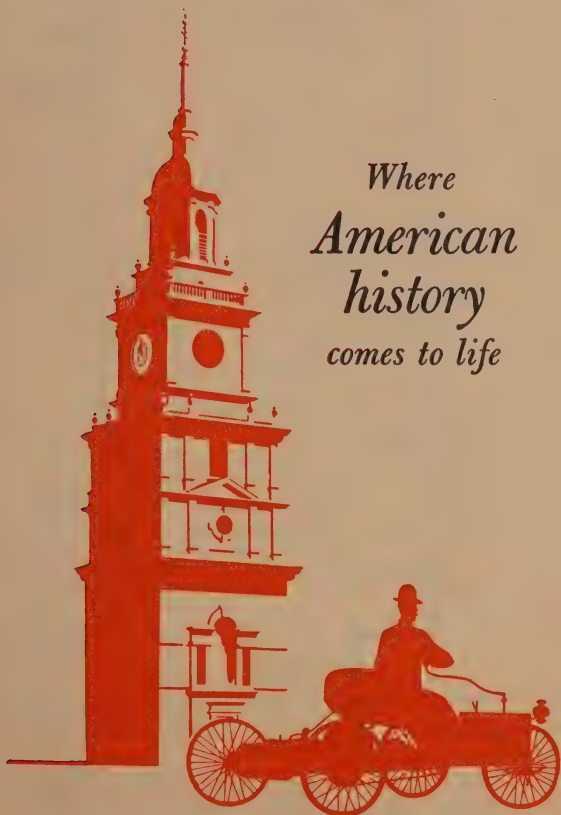
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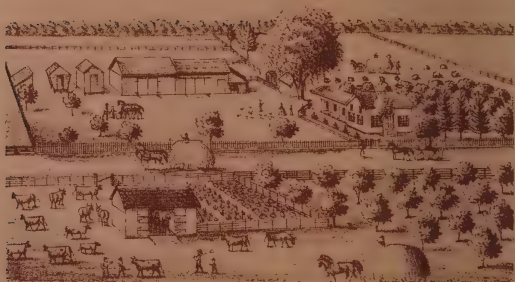
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The front buildings of this immense structure are architectural reproductions of Independence Hall, Congress Hall, and the Old City Hall of Philadelphia. The Museum is divided into three main sections: the Decorative Arts Galleries, the Street of Early American Shops, and the Mechanical Arts Hall.

The Decorative Arts Galleries, along the front, contain American decorative arts, including furniture, silver, pewter, glass, pottery, porcelain, clocks, watches, and textiles, arranged in chronological and regional order.

The Street of Early American Shops is located along the front section of the Mechanical Arts Hall. Here are 22 diverse and completely equipped shops, such as Harness Maker, Carpenter, Violin Maker, Toy Maker, Wrought Iron Worker, Milliner, and Tinsmith.

The Mechanical Arts Hall—covering an area of 8 acres—consists of exhibits which are divided into seven major sections: Agriculture, Crafts, Industrial Machinery, Steam and Electric Power, Communications, Lighting, and Transportation. Here can be found objects ranging from precision electronics equipment to the multi-engine airplane which carried Byrd across the South Pole.

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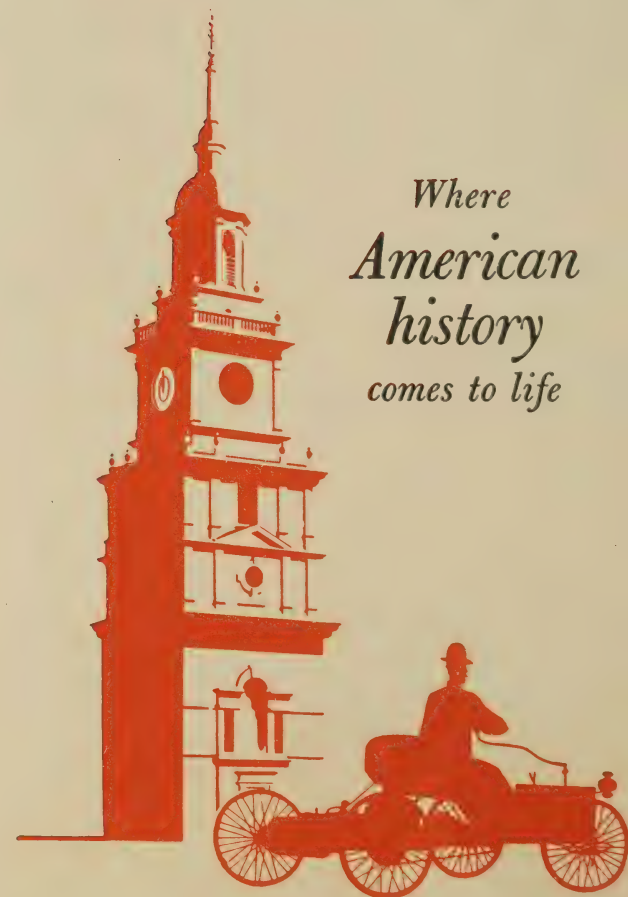
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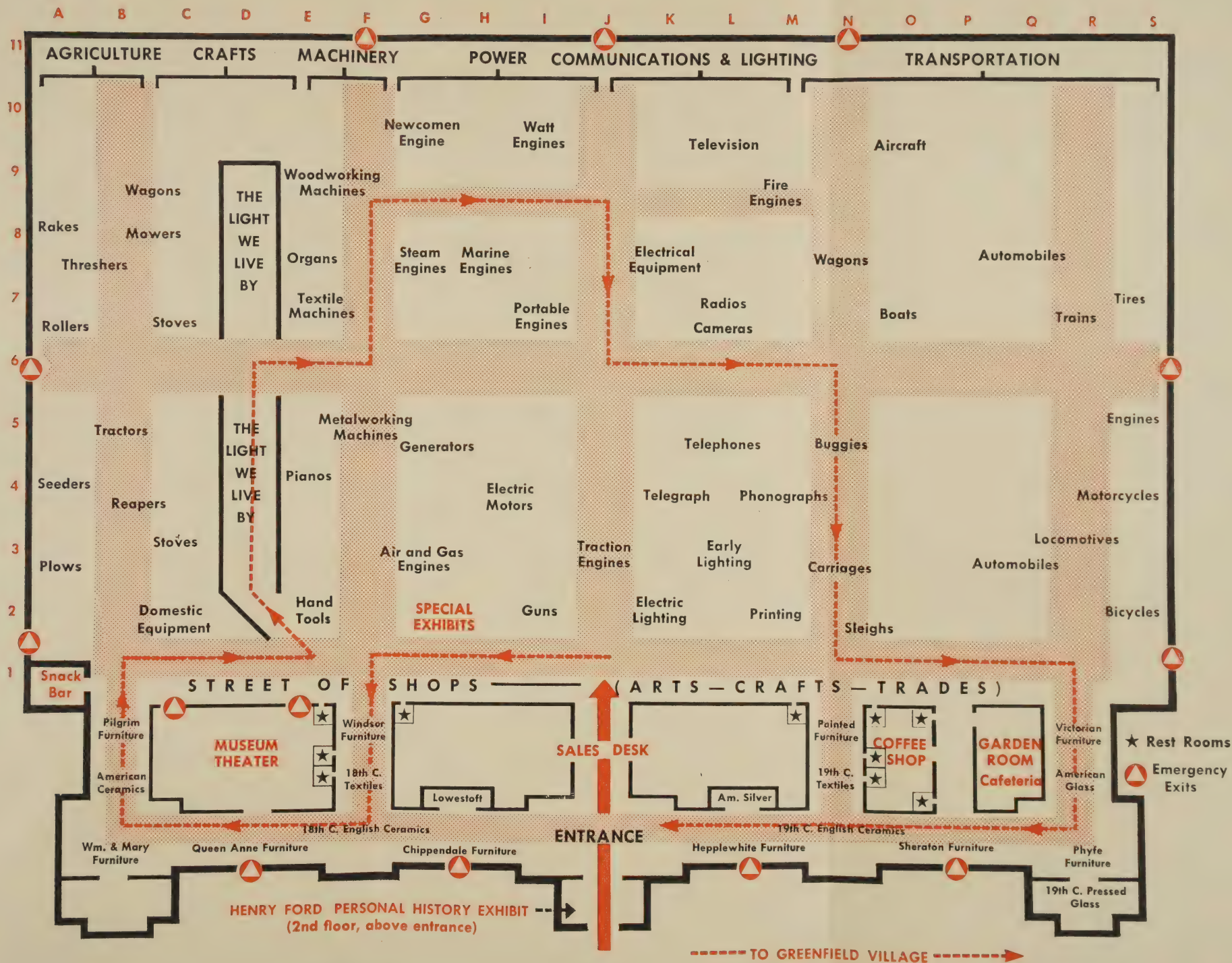
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1-22	John Myers, car repair	37.83
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2-1	Wickes, lumber	13.59
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6-27	Wickes	34.74
6-26	Wickes	16.58
6-28	Midwest, stone	32.68
7-7	Wickes	17.34
7-11	Ream Steckbeck, wall paper	9.28
7-12	Arcola Lumber Co.	78.07
7-14	Ft. Wayne Newspapers	3.60
7-15	Canfield Lumber	7.61
7-19	Arcola Lumber	31.29
7-19	Wickes	28.61
7-22	Canfield Lumber	4.11
7-31	Wickes	2.45
8-2	Wickes	73.93
8-2	Canfield	41.39
8-9	Huntertown Grain	11.78

8-11	Mr. Wiggs	13.00
8-12	Vic Simms, Valiant Car	550.00
8-14	Tractor Supply	4.84
8-15	Walgreens	6.58
8-16	Cedar Creek Shopping Center, gas	6.50
8-16	License Bureau	14.50
8-16	Wickes	42.59
8-26	Wickes Lumber	3.87
8-26	Wickes	57.13
8-27	Canfield	3.05
8-29	Gas	5.57
8-30	K-Mart	5.41
9-6	IndianaBank, auto	35.97
9-5	Wickes Lumber	2.51
9-8	Magnavox 6313	127.50
9-13	Internal Revenue Dept	90.00
9-19	Magnavox	45.00
10-8	Indiana Bank, auto	71.94
10-8	Tractor gas	2.84
10-10	Wickes	6.77

ANTIQUES IN OUR LIVES:

I suppose the first antique we got and that put us on the antique trail was the walnut sewing box that had been Belle Fitch's. It was handmade by her brother I think. I think Esther said that Uncle Charlie made it for her and that would be one of her brothers. I took off the finish and varnished it for my first attempt. I did this while we were in Avilla and the kids were small.

Before that time I probably did not notice much about antiques at all. In fact my grandmother's victrola got away from us. I remember that we did have it and mom had had it in her livingroom on the Garrett farm and I suppose when she moved into town she gave it to us. I don't know where it went at all and Warren does not even remember that we had it so I am sure that it did not mean much to us at the time.

I would guess that it was after Belle Fitch's death in 1953 that I really became aware of old things. At that time we had gone to her house and the kids were taking some of her things. I remember that Elsie took her pink depression dishes of which she had a whole set. Before it was over I got a few things for me. I have one of her sadirons, a black iron kettle on legs and with a bail, a glass jar that she kept her sugar in and I did too for a long time. I painted the lid red and painted a few flowers on it so it would match my kitchen which had red and white checks. Also a couple of jugs and crocks. I also ended up with a couple Japanese dishes, things that would be used in the bedroom on the dresser.

During the next few years I guess life was so busy that we didn't think about anything but just having a roof over our heads and food for us all to eat and a few new clothes and money to send the kids to school. It was probably about the time we moved to Laotto that we had time to pursue any antiques at all.

While we were in Laotto we started going to Hillsdale to the auction there. The first time Warren went alone and maybe took the boys. I know he bought a mantel clock, black and brass for \$3. Over the years he ~~acquired~~ acquired a couple more of them. One I think from a good customer of his in the TV business and maybe the other one came from Mike Harvey. We also ended up with Grandma Bell's oak carved mantel kitchen clock that he had torn apart when he was a child and never did get back together. So it sets on our shelf with no working parts in it. They are all in a box! I guess it was in his folks attic. Also about this time he took his folks old oak telephone and tried to make it into a radio for me. He never finished that and it is still just a phone.

Warren also brought me back my first oak carved picture frame from Hillsdale and Larry brought me an ice cream freezer that I only have part of left. The wood bucket all fell apart but I still have the insides and the crank with the name of "Dixie Belle" I think.

Bertha Myers had an oak commode that she wanted to sell and she sold it to us for \$5. It had been her mothers so I refinished that with a wax finish.

That was a tedious thing to do, but I kept putting Johnson's wax on it and polishing it down and finally it had a pretty hard finish and is still in really good shape.

While at Laotto Mike and Irene McKinley had an old oak cupboard with glass doors that they just gave to me and I used a different kind of finish on it. I tried a rub in finish of oil and turpentine. I guess it was called a boiled linseed oil finish.

Then John Myers gave me an old cherry table with a broken leg that Warren repaired. It was a dropleaf and quite old and turned out to be very beautiful. It was handmade I am sure because the legs are not exactly the same size.

Then I bought a blanket chest from Jennifer Buchanan's grandmother in the corner house in Avilla and finished that. That was a real mistake I guess now as it had on the old original red finish and I tried to sand it off. It was really old and had the bottom apron put on with wooden pegs. I am sure it has lost much of it's original value now because once Warren stood on it and it broke the apron on one side and it never got fixed and on top of that somehow in the moving etc we lost the piece of the apron and then with me taking off the original paint it probably is only worth about half or a third of what it might have been by this time. However, I only paid \$15 for it at that time. Would guess it could be worth as much as \$500 if it was all together. Oh well!! Easy come, easy go!!

I had also bought an oak table that I used beside my bed for a long time. It was a small square one and I finally sold that at a garage sale. This also came from Hillsdale.

A few years later Sylvia Meyers gave me another one with some carving on it and I still have that by the front door.

We went to Hillsdale for several years and I would buy a lot of things. Sometimes John would buy boxes of books and I would buy boxes of dishes. I bought a pair of wooden candlesticks that are really nice. A tool box that had dovetailed corners, a butter churn that was not really that old that Carol has now,

An auction that I went to at the Koons farm by Avilla netted a tin candle mold, a grain seive, a yarn winder, and a box of "Workbaskets". This was Koons family that owned the hardware in Avilla. Eventually I sold the yarn winder when I had others and had to choose which one to keep.

At another auction near White Swan I bought a piano stool that turned. This was in the old inn on Lima Road that had been used for an Underground Railway Station also.

Auctions were fun when we were young and could take a whole day of standing around and bidding. I also had gone to one at Newville, north of St. Joe and bought a trunk for \$4. This is a big ONE THAT I keep pictures and scrap books in.

While we were at Laotto we searched the barns and the sheds and

basement for other antiques. We found some but most were not really worth very much in money. Beverly Lutter said we could have anything we could find as she was not at all interested in any of them. So we looked and searched. Upstairs in the back bedroom and attic we found oval picture frames and other frames. In the basement we found crocks. In the barn we found milk stools that I varnished or covered. Larry found an old pretty bottle in the chicken house. I also found an undurated fibre pitcher with a tin and wire handle. The one shed was filled with old farm stuff but most of it I didn't know what to do with so we just left it there.

By the time we moved to the Auburn Road I was pretty well hooked on antique-ing. There was an auction over on the Union Chapel Road that I went to between Old Auburn and 427 and I bought a butter-churn on legs. It did not have the inner workings but I thought it would make a nice bedside table with storage space. I thought that some day I might be able to find the churn workings to put in it but never did.

Then there was the day I saw a big spinning wheel for sale on the Cedar Canyon Road and went to look at it. I bought it and it was my pride and joy for a long time and then I finally sold it at an auction at church for missions. That was one of the hardest things I gave up.

Sometimes Glenbrook would have antique sales in the mall and I would go and look after I had been working. I finally bought a small spinning wheel from one of the dealers from New Haven. I also bought a flax hatchel from a dealer and a pair of grain measures from Mrs. Florea, a copper bean pot and a brass candy kettle. It was always interesting to look even if I didn't buy anything. One day I found an iron wax melting pot for canning.

Then we were always searching over at the Fitch farm for old things. Before Warren's dad died he gave me an iron scale that would be for measuring candy etc. I finally bought a brass piece that was needed for it at Glenbrook. Of course, Warren's mom gave me canning jars and started my quest for more and more of those. She also had other crocks and jugs that she gave me. Eventually she also boxed up her yellow depression dishes in the Madrid pattern and just gave them to me. I never asked for them at all. Then one day she gave me a bowl that she said that she got for a wedding present. Later I found out that it is a RS Prussia bowl with a red star mark and worth quite a bit. Also she gave me a few baskets that she made when she was still at home before she was married. Out in the chicken shed we found a tool box that had been Grandpa John's. Warren's dad said I could have the small CALF Yoke in the barn, but we could never find it.

Yes, I forgot about the flax hatchel that we found in the barn at Laotto. I sold it at a sale along with the wooden coin box that would have been used under the counter in a store.

Then there was the cheese box I bought at Garrett, the maple sugar bucket at the mall, loads of glass candlesticks and brass ones that I would get from here and there.

Then there was the exciting day that the Shillings had their auction over near Spencerville. This was at Eunice Zehr's home and they had cleaned out the attic apparently. I took Warren's mom and Josephine and Paul Clark were there too. It was a fabulous auction but I did not have enough money. I was appalled to see them auctioning off family portraits! Well I bought the yarn winder, the copper applebutter kettle and stirrer, an old wheel for a spinning wheel, and eventually I bought the two family portraits of Solomom and Esther Shilling from the lady who had bought them. She really only wanted the frames and so she sold me the portraits for \$10. It was an interesting day but of course, I wanted everything that was there. I took pictures so have those of some of the other items. As it was I spent more than \$200 that day. Esther and I groaned after it was all over and kicked ourselves for not buying the quilt that had names written all over it and embroidered. No doubt a family heirloom and we let it go by us. That was a shame!

I have a few things that were my Grandmother Klinker's too. I have her big round oak table and 6 chairs, a whipped cream beater, and several small things like the old tin spoons they ate peanut-butter from when they were kids. Other odds and ends like mugs, hankies, vases but none worth much more than sentimental value.

We have amassed a rather large collection of old tools. Some of these belonged to the Fitch's and a few I bought at various places and garage sales. I have my Grandfather Klinker's sheep shearing shears in mended condition! They lived by the old saying "Use it up, Wear it out, Make it do, or Do Without!!"

I have the velvet photo book that was the Doll's and which has some Shilling pictures in it too so would say that it probably belonged to Vienna Doll. Also two oil lamps one of which was hers and one was Belle Fitch's. Also have Mathias Fitch's Bible.

And how about the old "feed chest" that Phil Miller gave me? Not an expensive piece but I love it anyway. And recently a set of shelves that is about 6 foot long and 4 foot high that I have not found a place for as yet.

I have collected milk glass, other dishes, pottery, vases and planters, dolls, lots of old linens, magazines and books, needle work tools, and old buttons, a collection of old irons and some old Christmas things. I have some of the ornaments that were my Grandmother Klinkers that she put on her tree in Monroeville so they would be 40's or older. I don't know how long she had some of them. Most of my dolls are not antiques, but among the oldest would be the Penny Play Pals, and Saucy Walkers. Most are no older than the 50's or late 40's at the earliest.

FURNITURE WE HAD THROUGH THE YEARS:

Our first home was set up with the bedroom furniture that I had already. My bed was a metal waterfall type of bed with a light in the headboard. We did not buy new mattress and springs but used what I had. Dad had made me two bookcases with doors on the bottom sections and we took them to our new house and used them in the living room. I had finished a dresser from knotty pine. We actually had two of them almost alike. The other piece we had in the bedroom was a chair I made out of a half barrel. I covered the top for a lid and used it for storage as well as a seat. I covered it with blue and white fabric and had a ruffle around the bottom part.

Upstairs in this little house on the Fitch Road was a bedroom that we did not use, but I had an old oak bed with a high headboard that I set up up there and fixed it with the yellow and white wedding ring quilt that Warren's mom had made for us. The only other thing we ever used that room for was for storage and in the winter I strung up lines to dry my clothes when I did the laundry. I often wonder what I did with that bed. It was not an elegant type of oak bed but it was old. It is possible that it was in the upstairs when we moved in. *Perhaps I left it for the next family.*

Also when we moved in, was an old pie chest or cupboard with punched tin doors. It was in the basement and we left it there. It did not seem like a treasure to us at that time. Also left our oak ice box in the basement too. I wonder what the Rows ever did with them. Perhaps they just rotted down there. We never did use the basement.

For our living room we bought a modern blue living room suite that consisted of a sofa and a chair. We bought this from a furniture store in Auburn, Gerig's. He was a friend of the family. Then we had my bookcases and a round table that was a gift from Jim Travis. Margie had bought us a lamp for the table. We had an upright radio in the living room and our oil stove in the winter. I also brought the piano from mom's house and we put it on the porch. We probably did this when mom and dad moved from the farm to St. Mary's Avenue. This was either 1950 or 1951. Probably 1951 sometime. The porch was ice cold in the winter but I would play it anyway and the weather didn't seem to hurt it. The other thing I had on the porch was my wringer washer.

Somewhere we acquired a large dining room table and chairs and a matching buffet for the kitchen. I think we probably bought them as they were not from the family. We bought a new Tappan stove which I knew I just had to have. I had cooked on the Tappan since I was 10 years old and thought that was the only stove I could use. So I had saved enough money to buy a new one and we did.

We also started with the ice box for about a year and I think at Christmas time mom and dad gave us some money and we got a new Coldspot refrigerator. I had a white "Hoosier" type of kitchen cabinet with a metal work surface and a tall wood cupboard to store my supplies. In 1997 we still have that in the basement with paint in. We used that in the kitchen of our homes until we moved to Laotto and then had built-in cupboards, although we may have still used it in the kitchen for extra storage or on the back porch.

I also made storage with apple crates and put a red and white checked curtain around it. In our first house we had this lovely white water bucket and dipper setting our Hoosier cabinet. Guess that about completed our furniture in our first house.

Then when we moved to the little house on Coldwater Road that we built we did not have room for all. We did not have room for the dining table and buffet and so we ate on our card table.

We added the dryer that I got for Christmas 1951 in preparation for Cathy and all the diapers I would have to wash and dry. It was in the "breezeway".

I think we used most everything else. We had built a small cupboard in the kitchen with the sink in it. That was where I also gave Cathy her baths. As we were only in that house for a few months guess we didn't buy anything new for it. As I think of it, I don't know that we even took the "Hoosier" cabinet with us there. It went by the wayside too.

One thing that I did forget was my cedar chest. Warren had gotten it for me before we were married and it went everywhere with us and it is still at the foot of our bed. In the house we built, there was no room for it in the bedroom so we put it in the living room! We had added a small bed for Cathy in the bedroom, but sometimes we would put her in the living room to sleep. This was a 20 X 20 garage that we built and added a 10 X 12 breezeway so this was our house that we had to squeeze everything into. We had no outside garage or other building either to put anything else. At our first house at least we had a garage to store our mower, etc. in.

Inside this 20 X 20 house we also had to put our pump, water heater, oil stove with a corner for the bathroom which consisted of a stool and a shower. I believe we also had a little corner sink.

The next move was to Avilla in the old store building. We were there almost a full year. From about October to August of 1953. In the kitchen there we added an oak table and chairs. A smaller kitchen type. It was new and in 1997 Mary and Larry are still using it. That kitchen had a built in sink but no real cupboards. My stove fit in, my dryer, and the refrigerator and that was about all.

Sometimes Cathy's highchair too. I had a ledge that was made of some kind of cement coated with plaster and that I used for a cookbook shelf. It was a tiny kitchen. Next to it was the entryway with a side door. There I kept the washer and did my washing. Also that was the entry to the upstairs and the entry into the bathroom which was really a hole!! But we had a sink and a shower there and some storage space under the stairs. Elsewhere I told about getting the sink clogged with my hair and the landlord yelled at me.

The living room was next in line to the shop and there I had added my sewing machine. I cannot remember having it at all until we moved in there. If so I don't remember where it was and I am not sure just where it came from. It could not have been from mom's home as dad had given her a new electric Singer when we lived in their new house (1942-1946). And it was not Warren's mom's either, so suppose we bought it somewhere along the way. It was an old treadle, and I did a lot of sewing on it.

The living room suit and my cedar chest, the blue and white barrel chair and the oil stove pretty much filled the living room.

Upstairs we put our bed and dressers and we also did have an old oak high backed bed. I am wondering now if perhaps we did not somehow take the one from the old Fitch Road house with us. If not this was very similar and we took it on from there too. Sometimes Cathy would sleep on the big old bed. It seems that dad built a fence for around it on two sides so she would not fall out. I know I would put her to bed up there and she was much too big for the basket we had used before.

The shop was in front by the street. Warren had a big long workbench along the West side of the building and we had windows on each side of a central door where we displayed items on what was like a window seat. We decorated those windows for Christmas with cotton and snow on the windows and right in front of our store was the light pole that the town decorated. But this was a cold place in the winter and hot in the summer, at least it was hot upstairs.

Well along in August we bought the diner that had been Riley Hostetters and moved into that. Warren had a shop, nice and large, and we had the diner, the kitchen, back hallway, bathroom and a nice large living room, plus basement. As we were in the appliance we added a new washer for me after a while. It was an automatic Hamilton. I also did use my old wringer washer there for a while. As I think about it, I had the automatic for a while and then when it played out we bought another wringer one for me. Some time later we also had what was called a combination that washed and dried all in one operation. I really did not like that because it took so long to do one load. Two appliances cut the time in about half and I did a lot of washing.

Since we lived there from 1953 to about 1963 we had a lot of change with 4 kids and all.

We used the blue living room suit and got slip covers for the two pieces in rose with flowers. The whole time we were there I used the old treadle sewing machine. We would have various TVs as that was Warren's business and we would use a lot of different ones, new and used.

Somewhere along the line we came across a large two-door TV cabinet and Warren put a shelf in it for me and I used that for storage the whole time we lived there.

We finally had to give up the living room suite and bought two sleeper type sofas in brown. Warren and I would use them. But we used the old metal bed for a long time and had the oak high-backed one with the fence for the kids as well as a couple baby beds.

We had a curved front dresser with a mirror that would be classed antique now and had that one until in the 70s. We bought a used rocker when the babies were small. We still used the bookcases my dad had made in this house.

I had another Hoosier-type cabinet here but it was not wood as my old one had been, but it was white metal. There was one nice built in cupboard where I kept my dishes, the metal cupboard, and the tall wooden cupboard we started with in our first house.

Dad made me a cookbook shelf that I think may be at Carol's now.

There was also a lot of storage in the back entryway that came into the kitchen and also down to the basement and out on the back patio. That would hold a lot of canned things, soaps, and whatever we did not have room for in other places.

I had two unfinished end tables here that had been finished in a light finish. I think they had been purchased as unfinished furniture. Also had bought a maple colonial end table from the local furniture store, Clarks, from my bowling winnings and a maple sewing bucket from George and Kate's, also from bowling money. When we got the end tables we also got new lamps for them. We still used the round duncanphyfe table that had been a wedding present.

It was in this house that we started on our quest for antiques I guess. Started with the walnut sewing box that had been Belle Fitch's and made by her brother. I refinished that and still have it.

We had a maroon recliner and foot stool that had been mom's. You can see it in some of the Christmas pictures.

We bought a big old oak office desk that weighed a ton!! I used that to do the business bookwork on. That was so heavy that I don't think we moved it on to our next house.

Then about 1963 we sold the business and moved to LaOtto in an old farmhouse that had quite a bit of room. We took our sofa beds for the livingroom and as Warren was making "Lots of money" at Magnavox we bought a new bedroom suite from Montgomery Wards that had the bed, dresser, chest, and night stand and we still are using that in 1997.

Kept all of our old appliances and the small oak table and chairs. One side of the kitchen had built-in cupboards but I still used the tall wooden cupboard, but did not bring the metal Hoosier cabinet with me as there was a nice cupboard top for work and had my table.

Here we had a whole dining room and so we bought another old table and chairs and buffet. Eventually we also got a piano from Betty Pepple and used it in the dining room. Mike McKinley gave me an old oak china cupboard and I refinished it. I now was recognizing the value of the old pieces. John and Sylvia Meyers also gave me an old cherry table and I refinished that too. Also bought a washstand of oak from Bertha Myers that had been her mothers and did that in a wax finish. Still treasure all of those.

I used my treadle sewing machine in Avilla but I really don't remember just when it was, but while at Laotto I think, Warren went to Jack Helvey's and he had an electric Free-Westinghouse sewing machine, a portable, and bought it for me. I gave Lois Miller my treadle (a bad mistake), and used that for a while, but it was never really very good. The treadle had done a much better job of sewing, but Warren's heart was in the right place. I just always wished I had not given the treadle away. It had served me so well.

We got bunk beds for the boys and the girls slept upstairs. The people living there before left an old oak Morris Chair in the upstairs and we used that in the girls room with the dresser and mirror we had in Avilla.

We added a lot of little antiequey stuff from that house as we searched out the attic, the basement, and the barns. I am sure we missed a lot of stuff. Beverly Lutter said we could have anything we could find and want as she didn't care a thing about it. So we ended up with some crocks, picture frames, and other small curiosities. Also a few fruit jars, and then Warren's mother began to add to the collection of fruit jars until I have quite a few. We never did find anything worth a great deal of money. I also brought in about 3 milk stools and refinished them or padded them.

Somewhere along the line we acquired a couple more dressers. One was another unfinished piece that I varnished and one was a very heavy tall one that dad made out of oak. We had the first one in Avilla, as I remember it being used in the eating area of the diner with the kitchen table. That was after we had made that room kitchen and kids room, and we had put up a wall between the two.

While we were here at LaOtto Warren built a pool table for us and it was put in the East room with the large window by the lilac bush. There were double doors into that room and we opened them so the kids could have room to play pool and ping pong.

This was a fun place for me and the kids. Warren didn't think it was so great. Because it was cold I guess. We had this coal and wood furnace that we had to keep going and three registers in the whole house. I guess it was pretty cold at times, but I did not mind. We had all this space and in the summer it was great. And we had two really long falls while we lived here and it was mild until late in the year.

In 1965 we built this house on the Auburn Road, that house I mean. 14611 Old Auburn Road, and by Christmas of that year we were ready to move in.

This was down-sizing again at least for a while. We lived in the basement. Warren and I again slept on the sofa beds as the upstairs was not ready for our bedroom as yet. This was only for the few months until spring arrived though. The kids had their beds in the downstairs garage.

I gave up my gas stove, the trusty old Tappan and traded it for an electric apartment sized stove. I hated that. We let Warren's mother have my gas stove. I finally learned to love the little stove. The oven was wonderful and I could really bake well in it. When I got another big oven, I was dissatisfied with it because it took so long to get the baking done. My gas stove had been a fast baker too. We set up the kitchen in the basement as it would be a while before we could finish the upstairs kitchen. We had some built-in cupboards and storage shelves, my Coldspot refrigerator, washer and dryer in the garage. A complete bathroom with new stool, tub, shower, and lavatory. It would be years before we finished the upstairs living room. We did however, buy a sofa bed full-size for the downstairs when we put the bedrooms upstairs. And also a couple of new rockers.

Eventually when the girls had their rooms and the boys had a room we gradually bought new furniture for each of them. I would buy one piece at a time from Sears for the girls rooms and some unfinished for the boys that I would paint. They got desks and dressers.

we brought the piano with us from Laotto but did not use the dining room furniture at the new house. Eventually we broke it up.

When we finished the upstairs kitchen Warren bought, from Magnavox, a trestle table with chairs, and a hutch and cabinet. I painted an unfinished desk for the kitchen. Everything else was built in.

Somewhere along the line too, I got a new Touch and Sew Singer sewing machine. That may have been our last year at LaOtto that that happened. George Beaver's wife sold them and so I bought one from her. That was a very good investment. In 1997 I still have it and use it all the time.

Finally the year that Cathy was married, we got our living room upstairs carpeted and I bought a new sofa (love seat) and matching chair for that room. Also I had a large walking spinning wheel I bought from a lady on Cedar Canyons Road and I had a couple yarn winders too that I had in the living room. One of the yarn winders I bought at a sale at Koons in Avilla, the hardware Koons family. This was an auction at Norm Koons and they just drug stuff from the attic. I could have used more money that day!

For one Christmas Warren and the kids bought me a large rocking chair. Cathy bought it at Pennys where she was working at the time.

Will make a list of some of the furniture we now have so you will know where it came from and that may help in deciding what to do with it some day.

Guess we have bought nothing major and most of the different things we have now came from garage sales or is something we bought years ago.

After mom moved into her little house, after the divorce, she gave me Grandma Klinker's table (round oak) and chairs. Eventually, I gave my aunt Helen the chairs, but still had 6 pressed chairs that were hers. So I refinished the table and still have it.

CARS WE DROVE

Jack Warren will have to relate about the first ones that we drove but we had one new car in our lifetime and that was a blue Ford Fairlane. We bought it just in time to take it on our softball trip to Midland, Michigan. We drove that for quite a while and finally I drove it to work at Singer for two or three years and it no longer had any heat and I would nearly freeze coming home at night. It was very hard to steer in those days and kept me strong in my arms. Finally I guess Warren bought me the Valiant and we put the 1961 Ford aside and Larry learned to drive out in the field with it and he finally sold it to Larry (whoops, it was not Larry) Martin and he turned right around and sold it again at a profit. Larry sold it to him for \$5 and he sold it for \$50. Larry must have done that while we had our backs turned!!! I had other cars in between and Warren was driving the Ford back and forth to work until I took it over.

There was a green Ford Station wagon from Don Barnett - Guess it was a car! A 1958 Ford Station Wagon (I think this was the one that probably carried most of our house at 14611 from the Lumber yards.

Then I had my blue Plymouth Valiant and that was a real love affair and I never wanted to get rid of that one. It was an automatic and push button. Small, solid, and drove like a dream. Always would run. I never had to worry about coming out of work at night and it not starting. Faithful, it was!! And I nearly cried when we finally sold it.

Warren had several others that he drove I guess. We had a couple of Fords and a couple Mustangs that the boys drove finally. We may have bought one for John, or helped him to buy it. It was an untried Mustang that we drove to Tennessee with the boys and we had some brake trouble. I think maybe they were Warren's favorites even though I thought they were tinney compared to my Valiant.

Oh yes, John drove my Valiant the first time he dated Amy Cantu.

After the Valient I ended up with a 1972 Hornet and that was a really good station wagon and we finally gave it to John and Amy in Dayton and that was hard for me to do also. Then we got one almost the same color that was a 1974 Hornet station wagon and it never drove as well as the 1972 but it had intermittant windshield wipers that I loved!

I think it must have been the Pacer I drove in there somewhere. That was the one that was red and looked like a ladybug and the doors were so heavy that they eventually dropped and when Mary and Larry finished up with it we couldn't get the windows open and the doors were nearly falling off but it had power steering and brakes and was fun to drive after you finally could figure out how to get in and out.

Then after the Hornets and the Pacer Warren finally bought me a Reliant, a 1983 and we drove that one to Montana shortly after we got it and it did well. I loved that one too and so when it was time to make another move we looked for a Reliant car instead of a station wagon and found an 89 Reliant, blue, which is what I have at this writing.

In the meantime Warren has had a variety of trucks to drive and he also bought Carol's Pinto and drove it. So guess we have had a lot of different vehicles in our time and we usually passed them on down to the kids if they needed an extra car.

Somewhere back in the beginning Warren drove a truck when we lived in Avilla for his business and we had 3 kids that we would take places in the truck. Two beside us and one on my lap and finally when I was pregnant with Larry and could hardly hold John on my lap we knew that we would have to have more than a truck. I am sure it was terribly unsafe, but in those days there was not much talk about seat belts and safety measures. If we were to go anywhere, we just got in whatever vehicle that was running and available and went.

At one time we bought a Chevy that belonged to my dad and we didn't have it very long as something went wrong in the motor and it was no longer driveable. That was probably about the time we bought the new car.

Of course, the first car was the Pontiac that we took on our honeymoon. And then there was the Studebaker that had the gear shift on the steering wheel and this was the great attraction for Warren. That would have been before we were married. And he had the 1927 coupe and I think it was a 1930 Chevy also that we drove a little later. I can remember jamming as many in the 1927 as was possible and running around the neighborhood and to church etc. And over to the Kelham's for basketball in the barn. It was fun, but suppose we would be arrested if we would do something like that now.

Warren said that the 1927 Coupe was his Grandpa Doll's and the 1930 one had belonged to Cecil Meyers.

BOWLING MEMORIES

As I remember it, we started to bowl when Larry was just a baby. We went a few times with Bettie and Thad Shank or Joy and Jerry Mueller. I didn't think I could do it. I did not want anyone to watch me make a fool of myself, never even thinking that no one would be watching me at all. So after that hurdle, I found out I could keep the ball on the alley and thus it got a "great hold" on me. All I remember about that first time is that I threw 4 gutter balls before I could get it down the middle of the alley. We had bowled a couple times when we were dating at Auburn and I remember that Warren bowled a few times at the "Court Lanes" (I think that was the name of them). These were upstairs uptown in Fort Wayne. Actually, now that I think of it, maybe they were the Scott Lanes. Will have to ask Warren. I believe now that that was named after Everett Scott and it was Everett Scott, Jr. that taught our kids about bowling in their early years.

We went from just trying it out to bowling in leagues at Kendallville. The first year that I have recorded that we bowled in a league as regulars was 1957-58. Before that we may have subbed some. I remember that we bowled with Louise Deck and Roy and also Bettie and Thad Shank and Joy and Jerry Mueller. I thought we did in a mixed league, but Warren says that we bowled on the same nite but in different leagues at the same place. Suppose there was a woman's league and a men's league at the same time if he is right. A little later I would start bowling with the Laotto Top Thirty girls and I bowled with them for a long time. We would bowl on Thursday night and then Warren would bowl on Friday night. As I remember it we must have bowled on the same night for a couple of years because we hired Mrs. Diehm to baby-sit for us and sometimes her daughter would sit for us too and Larry was just a baby or very small. But by the time we bowled on different nights we did not need a babysitter as we always had one of us home. Mrs. Diehm's daughter was Sharon and she was a hair dresser and had a shop in Avilla.

As lady bowlers we would always wear skirts and I did not bowl in slacks for years. I made several skirts and would wear white blouses and sometimes accent the blouse with a red rose when I went bowling. I looked pretty good in red and white when I was young and had blonde hair. At least Warren used to say that I did.

The first year that I bowled, I started with 110 average and went up to 128, 2nd year to 138 and on up. I would always look at the next person above me in average (as this was the way we were on the sheet) and aim to go around them on that night. So my competitive juices got to flowing early! I would figure just how many pins I had to have to go around them and would work toward that every week.

Often when we would practice and sometimes when we would just go bowling in the league we would have to take the kids with us and they would just play at the back of the alley. Seemed they never really gave us any trouble. I started bowling with a 14 pound ball that belonged to the bowling alley and when it finally came time to

buy my own ball I had it made just like the one I had been using except it was a little heavier. There were not very many balls with finger holes small enough that I could use except for the kids light balls. So when I found this one I hung on to it. Bud, at the bowling alley sold me my new ball and drilled it for me and I had that one for a good many years. Also bought my shoes at that time and that was the only pair I ever had and in 1995 I am still using the left one which is the sliding shoe. That is another story. I did buy a new pair but never could get it to slide so finally gave up on it.

Warren was averaging in the 160's in those days. He is always just a little ahead of me!! In the spring of 1959 I bowled in the Kendallville City Tournament for the first time and I took 5th place in singles. Warren also bowled in the men's tournament with Lowell Gordon from Laotto. They took third place in the doubles event.

In the spring of 1960 the National Women's Bowling Tournament was held at Key Lanes in Fort Wayne and with it being so close we took a team to that event. On that team was Katie Truelove, Maxine Plummer, Ilene Bryan, Joan Bolton and me, of course. I suppose we just went for the "experience" because I don't remember winning anything there. In 59 and 60 I ended up averaging 144.

Guess Warren's league was called the Laotto Friday Nighters. By 1960-61 season I was averaging 159 and then I did not raise that much until I came to Fort Wayne to bowl against classic league bowlers.

One of these years and I am not sure which, Garrett put in a set of 12 lanes and we moved our league to Garrett and left Kendallville. Tim Murphy was the manager there and we liked Garrett.

Betty Shank (Bettie, that is) would bowl with me in doubles in the Auburn City tournaments and in 1961 we took second place in doubles. I had 13th place in singles and 3rd place in all-events. That was one thing I always wanted to win, but never did. I also must have subbed at Kendallville that season too and bowled 15 nights out of the whole season and averaged 156. That year I was on Bruce's Service Station team and though I usually averaged the highest in the league that did not mean that my team would win. We were 5th out of 6 teams that year. My high for that year was 582 and a high game of 256. In those days I bounced up to the line and threw a pretty nice curve. Somewhere along the line I lost some of that "stuff"!!

Warren says that I learned to drive because of bowling! That was the only way I could get to the bowling alley to practice! And he was probably right as I did drive to Garrett quite a bit from the house in Laotto after we left Avilla and moved there. It may be that I also drove a few times from Avilla too as I remember taking the road south of Avilla to get to Garrett. I could go and practice and look like a real "pro" and then go and bowl in the league and look awful. It was not unusual for me to have a good 600 in practice.

Guess I would have to say that bowling got me over my self-consciousness a great deal and I found it was something that I could do pretty well when I set my mind on it. Warren was never sure if that was good, or if he created a monster out of me! Anyway it surely shaped our lives to some extent as that became about the only recreation we did. Well, Warren was still playing softball in the summertime, at least until 1965 or so.

In 1962 I got 6th place in singles in the Auburn tourney. It was in 1962 that we took several teams and went to the State tourney in Michigan City, Indiana. We stayed at the Golden Sands Motel and then guess it was there that I got my first taste of the high life bowlers lived. Guess I could say, ha ha! Even most of the women from our Laotto League lived it up pretty high when they got out and most of them drank some. But I did not. It is quite costly to order a coke in a bar!! I always had a pretty good time even if I was a "stick-in-the-mud". I would guess by our scores that all we did was have fun, because we did not bowl that well. As I remember we took all of our teams to Michigan City.

One of the other things I did during those years was to be the secretary/treasurer of the league for several years. That made me do all of the bookwork and keep all the scores and averages after each bowling night and deposit the money in our account at the Avilla Bank. I always did enjoy this part of bowling and it helped me learn all about the game faster. So for doing this job, which noone else wanted, I was paid a little per each girl. At the end of 1962 I had made enough money with my prize money and the secretary fee to go over to Clark's Furniture Store and buy a table that I had wanted. This was just a small maple end table but it was special to me. One of the other things that I bought with my money, but am not sure what year, was a maple sewing bucket from George and Kate's on Calhoun close to the old Rialto Theater. Warren took me there one afternoon and I picked it out and bought it. And I still have both of those pieces. My sewing bucket still smells just like it did when I bought it!! And that smell brings back memories. I am sure that we took the kids with us that day as they went nearly everywhere we went.

In Avilla there is a St. James Restaurant that we would go to when we would have our banquets at the end of the year. They had great chicken and other food and of course drinks too. Several years we had our banquets there. In fact, I cannot remember any other place that we ever went to as long as I was in that league and I was in that league until the fall that we moved into our new house and at the beginning of that fall, even though we were still living in Laotto, I drove all the way into Fort Wayne from Laotto to bowl. That would have been in the fall of 1965.

Some time in this same period of time we also bowled in a mixed doubles league at Garrett called the Friday Night Mixers. All the kids would go with us and sit at the back of the alley on the steps and play. There were steps to an upstairs meeting room and to the basement where there were lockers. Seems like we might have had lockers at Kendallville where we stashed our balls and shoes and as that was about the only place we bowled at that time, it was OK to leave them there.

Warren was working at Magnavox through most all of this time and we also decided that we were good enough to bowl in the Magnavox tournies so we did that with some success over the years. So he also went the way of Fort Wayne and began to bowl in a Magnavox League called the Sportsmen. He started out subbing in that league, but in 1963 he was a regular in the Magnavox Engineers League.

We had moved from Avilla to Laotto in September of 1963. In 1964 we took a team and went to Marion to the Women's State Tournament. I think we may have taken several teams, but on our team we had Bernice Swartzengraber, Katie Brindle, Jean Thrush, Linda Leiter and I. Yes, I am sure there were other teams as Maxine Plummer got our motel reservations and we stayed at the Holiday Inn. Looks like we didn't do anything that year either. Seems like at the state I always flunked out. In April of 1964 we bowled in the MAA (Magnavox Athletic Association) and Warren and I came in 12th place. I was still bowling with the LaOtto Top Thirty through the year of 1964 and 1965 and that probably was the last year I bowled with them.

About that time we began to bowl in some outside tournies and we did that for most of the time we bowled. In 1966 I went to Coldwater, Michigan.

For the year of 1965 and 1966 I went to Northcrest to bowl. As we moved closer to Fort Wayne and Warren was going that way anyway, I thought I would like to try my hand at some classic leagues. Classic leagues, being those that you bowl scratch and do not have a handicap to help you along. When I called Northcrest (where Warren had been bowling with Magnavox) they had openings in the Ladies Minor League on Thursday nights. So they got me in touch with Maxine Dennis and she needed a bowler and although it was a handicap league I bowled on it a long time. There were some classic league bowlers in that league which included Marie Branning, Helen Kite (Carr), and Sis Arnold who were all much better than I was so they were an inspiration for me. I tried to play the same game that I did at Kendallville where I would choose the person just above me and try to beat them any given week. It was a challenge.

In 1966 we also went to Hoover Lanes in Paulding, Ohio. This was a bunch of us women and we bowled there. It was just a little hole in the wall, 6 or 8 lanes but people came from all over to bowl in their tourney. I usually bowled well there but never came out with any big money. Then we would always find a restaurant, or bar, and eat. I remember once when Norma Kelly and I were there we ordered a tomatoe juice to drink and when it came they had stuck a stalk of celery in it just like an alcoholic drink and everybody had a good

laugh over that. We were never pressured very hard to drink along with everybody else but there was always this subtle hint that we were no fun or we would ~~have~~ not fun or something, but after a while it was forgotten.

In the spring of 1967 I bowled in the City Tournament and lucked out with a 617 actual series and won the singles event. Whoppee! A whole \$25 and a trophy (which was not very big that year). Well, guess it was the honor and not the prize!

We also bowled in the MAA Tourney in 1967 and took 6th place.

I am not sure when I started in the Classic League. The first one I bowled in was the Monday Unique Doubles and that was a lot of fun and I bowled in that for many years. It was at 1 pm every Monday afternoon and took only about an hour because we had two to a lane. Every week we would have a different partner. It was probably the most exciting league I ever bowled in.

This part of the story starts with about 1970.

I wish I could remember what year it was that we had the big snow. Perhaps I can fill it in later when I discover when it was. It must have been after the girls were married which would have been after 1973 then, like 1974? No, 1973, right after Carol and Tim were married because both John and Larry were living at home at the time. Warren and I had bowled in the Magnavox tournament that day and it had been snowing from early morning. Warren was to leave with a group of guys to go on to Akron, Ohio, to bowl there right after the tourney was over. So he did and it was a really rough trip for him, but I will have to tell my story. The boys and I left right after we got done bowling and headed out north on Highway 27. We knew it was getting very bad but somehow we did make it as far as the Gump Road and started down it. By the time we got to the Gump Farm on the hill we knew we could not go any further. Down the hill we could see several cars all in the ditch and stuck good. So I started backing the car up and we backed all the way out to the Highway and started back into town. The only thing we could think of was to go to the Kellys. Mom's house was too small and besides it would be a lot farther to get to her house. So it was a struggle but we made it back to the Northcrest addition and found their house. Of course, Norma could not throw us out so we spent the night in their basement on the couch. I am not sure if we had to stay the 2nd night, but seems like we did. We finally got word to Warren in Akron that we were at the Kellys and that he should come back that way when he came home so we could go home together. We learned that they closed Highway 27 at the curve at Waterswolde about 15 minutes after we went back through. Finally when Warren did show up and we headed home we could only get as far as the Hursh Road and then we had to park the car and leave it (or them) until the next day when they finally plowed out the Auburn Road. So we had to walk from the corner but it was great to be back home. So that was our experience with the big March snow and the Magnavox Tourney. What made this so bad was that it was very cold for March and very windy and all the snow just piled up. Had we left the car and tried to walk home from the Gump Road we would have never made it.

Well, back to earlier in the 70's. During this time I was working at Singer also because I went to work for them in 1967. I guess I probably did not bowl in the Monday afternoon league for a few years after I went to work because my schedule at work was all day Monday, all day Tuesday, Wed. from 12 to 9, off Thursday, and 12 to 9 on Friday and all day Saturday. Then eventually I did go on more part time so may have had Monday off after that. I can remember though that I would often leave work and go right to Westwood or Village Bowl from work and that would have been the Classic leagues on Tuesday night and Friday night. Our Tuesday night league was at Westwood and that was Fonda Figel's team. I did a lot of subbing on Friday night at Village and also on Monday night at Northcrest. Sometimes I would bowl twice on Monday, both in the afternoon and night. I would bowl for Sandie Hornsby and her team on Monday nite. Sandie was one of the best bowlers Fort Wayne had.

Warren and I did go to a lot of doubles tournaments in the 70's and sometimes we would win a little and sometimes just a group of the women would go. At that time it would be Norma Kelly, Betty Lincoln, Carole Kelley, and usually Marie Bushman and I. Sometimes others would go too. We went places like Goshen, Paulding, Coldwater, Columbia City Cook Lanes, Woodburn Lanes, Roanoke Lanes and eventually to Cincinnati which I will write later when I get to it. Cincinnati was the big one. And Warren went to the Akron Tourney

Some of those tournaments were 9-pin tap and some were "Scotch doubles" where we would alternate on every ball, meaning if you left a spare your partner would have to pick it up. Sometimes we did well and others it was just exercise! Also Northcrest would have tournaments and of course, there was city, state, and other local meets. We usually got our entry fee back at least, and sometimes a little more.

We even formed our "Fitch Family Tournament" which we would have each year when possible. In 1971 we held our first one which was at Garrett. Looks like Cathy and Rick were there but I am not sure where Carol was at that time. Perhaps she had another place she had to be. Looks like Betty won that one!! Probably the only one I ever did win!!

In 1971 Warren and I won 2nd place in the Magnavox Tourney. Had our pictures taken with the rest of the MAA winners. (Pictures will be in the Bowling book.) Sometimes we would bowl in it twice changing partners. I would bowl with John Kelly and Warren would bowl with Norma. Guess we were gluttons for punishment. No, it was most always a lot of fun.

In 1971 Maxine Dennis and I placed in the City Tournament with a 1221. I had an actual 606. We bowled together on the Thursday night team. Usually we could bowl with each team we bowled with but could only count the first time we bowled as our all-events score for team. So usually I bowled at least twice. I think maybe that was the limit, not sure at this time. But you could only bowl once in the doubles and singles each year.

In 1971 our Thursday night team was in charge of the banquet for our league and we chose to have it at "John's Gold Mine" on the "Landing" uptown. This was owned by John Arnold who was Sis Arnold's brother. Of course, we used the old-fashioned theme for our clothing and decorations. I made a purple print dress for this "grand" occasion. It was nearly a disaster as I remember it. For some reason they were not ready for us and did not have enough food planned. Seems there was a misunderstanding of some sort and altho we had a good time we were short on food and it was not very good. That was the last time we ever went there. It left some hard feelings because it was Sis's brother who owned it and she bowled in our league. We had gone early and decorated the place and made fancy clothes and all for it and then it was nearly a disaster!!

In the city tourney of 1971-72 we formed a team that we called the "Kelly Girls" and we came in 9th in the city. We led for a while but others went around us before the tourney was over.

In the spring Warren and I bowled a couple times in the Garrett tourney which was called the "Tim Murphy's Annual Doubles Classic". I think this was the first year he held that tourney. We won a little money that year.

Also that year we bowled in the "Saturday Night Mixed Doubles" at Garrett Lanes with Mike and Irene McKinley, our old friends from Avilla. And we won that league.

By the end of that year I was averaging 172 in the Unique Doubles league on Monday afternoon. This was the first year that I have a dated score sheet on that league. I have one other that is not dated and may have been the first one and the first year I bowled in that league. If so, then that would have been the season of 1970-1971. The league was a little smaller and my average a little lower so that makes sense to me. That year I was third in high average with only Ellen Zura (who turned pro) and Helen Carr above me at the end of the year. Of course, Ellen Zura was averaging 181 that year.

One of the other things I got to do that year was to bowl in the Elks Invitational Tournament which I did for several years. Each Bowling alley in town was invited to take 5 of their top bowlers to the tourney held at the Elks Lodge on the west side of town. This was fun and a "great honor" to be chosen. It was on the basis of the high average you carried and I got to go this year from Northcrest. We did not win much this year but afterward we were invited to stay and bowl more and I did pretty good this year on "pot" bowling which we did for several hours after the tourney was over. We would all put in our dollar and the one who had high game score would win it all. Guess that was why Warren always called me a "money bowler". If there was money involved, I would often come through. But of course, that was not always true as I lost as often as I won usually.

Another tourney I bowled in that year was the 600 Club Tourney. If you had bowled a 600 you could join the 600 Club and then bowl in the tourney in the spring of the year. I never did do very well in that tourney although I bowled in it several times. As I remember it cost us 50¢ to join the 600 Club. That was in January.

Also in January Warren and I bowled at Roanoke and he came in 6th place for the men and I had high women's average for the week, but that did not win us much money. Perhaps there were not very many that bowled that week and the prize list was always dependent on just how many people bowled in the tourney that particular week. But we got our names in the paper anyway.

It looks like we had also bowled in the New Year's Eve tourney at Roanoke the week before. Anyway that would have been New Year's Eve, 1971, going into 1972. We came in 5th for \$28 in that one and probably that is why we went back and tried it again a week or so later. This was a Scotch doubles where we alternate every other ball. We also went to Goshen that spring.

The Magnavox Tourney came around again in the spring of 1972 and although Warren and I bowled in it we did not win anything except that I bowled well enough to get the high series trophy and money. High series for women, of course. We had also bowled with the Kellys and won a little with them but nothing to shout about. Having the high women's series, I had to go and have my picture taken again.

In June of 1972 we went to Coldwater, Michigan, and although some of our girls did well, I came home with \$13. Darlene Cox won the tournament that year, which netted her \$500 so it was worth trying for. I won \$5 at Hoover Lanes in Paulding, Ohio.

That spring we joined the summer league at Northcrest and called ourselves the "KellyGirls". That was Norma Kelly, Darlene Cox, Mary Lou Dillon and I. It was a 4 woman team.

In those years our boys were starting to bowl and would bowl on Saturday mornings in the Junior League at Northcrest. They could probably write a better story, but I always thought they were good and could go somewhere in the bowling world, if there was somewhere to go. John and Dave DeHaven had their moments and at age 16 John was averaging 170. On the team in spring of 1972 were Larry, Dave Woods, Greg Horstmeyer, John, and Dave DeHaven and they had some good team high games. In March on one Saturday morning Larry had a 549 and John had a 595. Dave DeHaven was probably the best of the bunch at that time. I bowled with his mom, Millie DeHaven. I guess John's high for that season was 603. I do not have Larry's average sheet at hand. The boys also did well at the VFW Tournament at Dehnert Lanes. I don't know if this was the final standings or not, but the newspaper clipping I have shows John as 2nd in singles and John and Dave 2nd in doubles. Anyway I thought they were good. Another team they had that was very good in the Junior League was the one that Terry Tester was on and they were probably the best of the Junior League. Definitely at Northcrest, and maybe in the whole city. I may find more information on the boys in my trunk but don't have it at hand right now.

1972 and 1973 Season and 73 and 74

I was averaging in the 170's and find that I have end-of-the-year sheets on The Woodknockers, the Thursday night Ladies, and probably the Monday Unique Doubles. Warren was bowling in the Northcrest Minor League and the Woodknockers, of course. Summer league of 1973 was the Kelly Girls again and we had Marie Bushman bowling instead of Darlene Cox. That spring the Kelly girls won that league. We continued to bowl in that league for another year, the summer of 1974 and had a couple of other girls to join Norma and I. We came in 4th that year but I was averaging 181 at the end. We had a lot of fun. To compliment our Kelly Girls, Diane McAllister called her team the Smelly Girls.

In November of 1973 I was subbing in the Friday Night Ladies Classic at Village Bowl. In December I was averaging 178.

The Woodknockers was a fun league that we had at Key Lanes and it was mixed doubles and we, Warren and I, bowled with Norma and John Kelly. As I remember it, we won that both years. The Lincolns and the Kinders were our best competition. We were the Magnavox team. I have pictures of one of our banquets. I think we may have held it upstairs in the banquet rooms at Key Lanes.

In the Women's City Tournament that year of 72-73 I took 13th place in singles and 79th in All Events. Not very impressive. We bowled again at Garrett in 1973, May, and won a little money back. This was Tim Murphy's 2nd Annual Tournament. I guess Warren carried me in that one. I had a 520 and he had a 641!! That was always our joke who carried who??? Well, to be honest, he carried me more than I carried him, but occasionally I came through.

In 1974 in the City Tournament our C & H Shoes came in 5th place. This was our Thursday night team. In 1973 I got a little money back in the 600 Club Tournament. I am not sure what year it was, but Maxine Dennis and I did well in doubles again with a 1266. This would have been in the City Tournament. At this time a lot of my papers are not dated and it is very hard to sort it all out.

I find that Larry and I bowled in a summer league and we called ourselves "Fitch's Folly". I was averaging 175 and Larry started out at 210 and went down to 165 before the league was over. At the end of the season it looks like we had won 18 points and lost 10. We bowled from May 16 to July 11 and don't have recorded what we did that last week.

1974 and 1975

Warren was bowling in the Northcrest Minor, and that same year Larry was also bowling in that same league. I was bowling in the Westwood Classic League at Westwood and also in the Friday Night Village Ladies Classic. This was a league that I had subbed in before. We were Dailey Asphalt, which was Fonda Figel's team. On our team we had Mary Sarrazin, Fonda, Alice Garver, Phyllis McLucky, and me. We made special outfits to wear consisting of skirts, blazer jackets, and cream colored shirts. We bought the tan with small red dot polyester fabric for the skirts and the jackets at Singer and I always loved that outfit. I was also bowling in the Indiana Bank Unique Doubles, which was our Monday afternoon League. I averaged 178 in that league by the end of the year.

On New Year's Day in 1975 we held another Fitch Family Tournament Looks like Warren won that one with John coming in second!

A lot of things changed in this period of time. In 1974 Warren and I found the Lord, or He found us, and anyway that changed a lot of things for us. That was in the fall of 1974 and I was still working at Singer and trying to get to all of these bowling alleys and then I added church activities. Many times when there was an activity that conflicted with the bowling schedule, I felt like I would rather have been at church, but I was committed to my bowling schedule first and so I always kept it. But I knew that my heart was only partially there. This also began a time of sharing what had happened to me with those friends that I bowled with. That was not always easy.

One of the things that happened in the spring of 1975 was our trip to Hoinkes in Cincinnati to bowl in the big tournament there. I have probably written about this somewhere else, but since it fits in with the bowling story I will add it here again.

At this time I had been having some trouble with my "change of life" I guess you would call it and I had begun to bleed quite heavily and I had gone to the doctor about it. Also I had gone to the Lord and one of the things that we had planned for that spring was to go bowl at Hoinkes and it was something that I really wanted to do. Except that with this problem, I was not sure if the Lord was saying no to me on this one. So I had prayed and seemed to be much better so sent in my money even though I had still been having some problems. I still did not know if I was to do this or not, but went ahead anyway. Then I began to bleed heavily again and prayed that I would stay home if I did not stop. So it did stop and we made our plans to go ahead. Well things did not go well and I had problems the whole time I was in Cincinnati. I did manage to bowl and did not do that badly but we did not win, of course. When I got home the doctor set me up for a D & C and so I had a trip to the hospital and that took care of it for good. But probably I would have to say that it was my stubborn desire to go and that probably I was out of the will of the Lord on that one.

We drove and took Norma Kelly with us and had time to share our new faith with her and she understood some of what we were saying but being Catholic, not all of it. She said that their priest did not ever talk about the "end times" and what might come to pass and we lost her on that one.

I had given up the Thursday night league when I started in the Classic Leagues in this year. I am not sure but I think this was the last year and the only year I bowled in the two Classic leagues. Unless I find papers to the contrary I would say that was true. That after 1975 I gave up most of the bowling. I am not sure if that was what I was supposed to do or not, but by not working anymore and by not bowling, I had more time to be in the Word and to do what I thought the Lord was calling me to at that time. So both of us went "hog wild" into our new church life. I remember when I gave my testimony to Roger Hoot's father one time, he just marveled that I could give up my bowling for the Lord. Any really it didn't bother me that much after I made the decision, because I was doing what I wanted to do and was very happy about it. So I didn't think it was such a great sacrifice.

Later on in our life I felt compelled to return to the bowling alley to be a witness and I don't know that I was all that good at it but I went back. It was probably several years later, maybe five years as I remember it.

I had been watching what had been happening to the friends I had in the bowling arena, Candy Fleet had died and Joss Reed had had cancer and it just seemed that I left them high and dry so felt convicted to go back to the bowling alley. So I went back to the Monday afternoon league.

During much of this time in the early 70's both John and Larry were working at Northcrest as porters. John worked the last two years of his high school and I think Larry worked at least his last year. Before John went off to college, he was able to witness to the Scotts. As I remember it, Everett Scott died and Sally was very ill. The boys would usually work at night and weekends even during the school year so we would have to run them in and then go get them again about 9:30 or midnight whichever time they had worked to. While they were in school I think by law they could only work the first shift, but that did not pertain to weekends and summer. Scottie and the Carrs were a great help in teaching the boys to bowl well. Scottie even tried with me, but all he succeeded in doing for me was to take the hop out of my approach and in the process I lost some of the stuff I had on the ball. However, it probably helped in my accuracy. Larry even got to work some with the machinery and so that aided him in getting a job later on at Key Lanes.

There was this inbetween period when we did not bowl and I guess we went back to it some when a league was formed from some of the members of our church and a couple other churches and we started bowling every other Saturday night and we called it the Sonshine League.

The first time I have not of this league was when I wrote a check to the Sonshine Bowlers for \$5 in March of 1978. That would mean that we bowled in that league in the season of 1977 and 1978. This league has changed over the years and we have had many different partners, but we have won it more often than not no matter who we bowled with. In 1979 and 80 we bowled with Carol and Tim.

In September of 1979 I wrote a check to Gladieux Refinery, which was the Monday afternoon league so I must have bowled the season of 1979 and 1980 with them.

In 1980 we bowled in the Magnavox Tourney again and came in in 6th place. Also that year I had won the second half in the Gladieux league and had to bowl off with Irene Greene for the championship. I don't think I won it, but am not sure.

Also bowled the 1980 and 81 season with Gladieux. During that year I bowled the best score I ever had. On March 23, 1981 I had a 279, 206 and 199 for a 684 series. Even had a write-up in the Journal Gazette. I had all strikes that game except for in the 4th frame and then had a spare. That took the pressure off of me right away knowing I was not going for a 300 game so I think that made it easier to relax.

I was still bowling in that league in 1981-82. We were back to calling it the Unique Doubles Classic league again. Diane McAllister and I fought for the championship that year and she won. I guess we were tied and after bowling the first three games, we had to stay and bowl three more to determine the championship. I had a 538 but apparently that was not good enough because she won. I do not have her score, only mine.

Yes, I do have it It was March 29, 1982. "Bowled at 1:00. Was position round with Diane and I in first and second place. My partner and I won 3 and lost 1 which tied Diane and so we had to roll three more games to determine who was the winner.

Diane 196-160 for the first game

Tied 177 for the second game

Then I won 201 to 194 for the third game

So Diane won by total pins. Since she had won the first half of the year, that made her the league champion. "

The next week we had a tourney and went out to lunch after we bowled. We all went to Bandito's at Georgetown. No, it was at Northcrest Banditos.

In trying to think of other bowling we did, one was that we bowled with Larry and Mary in a doubles league at Key Lanes during the period that he was working there. Must have done that a couple years and we did win. Larry was head and shoulders above everybody else. Will make some pages for him when I find his clippings that I saved.

I guess that was the end of my bowling in the Monday league. I don't know now if I quit because I went back to work or if I felt I was just not fulfilling my role as a witness. Some of the ladies in the league were Christians. Nancy Bell was one and for several years she would call me and ask if I would bowl in a league at Pro-Bowl, but I always refused. She was bowling with me the day I bowled the 279.

In thinking it over, I believe that one of the things that was happening at that time, was that the Bowling Alley at Northcrest was going to be torn down to make way for a shopping center and I remember that we discussed where we would move our league. Perhaps that had something to do with my quitting at that time. I did not want to move across town with our league and have to drive 69. I think they chose Westwood and at that time I felt that was too far to go. Guess I must have been feeling that it was time to give it up too because if I had really wanted to, the distance would not have stopped me.

When Northcrest was torn down, it was sort of like losing a part of us as we had spent a lot of our lives there. Time to move on.

There was a time when we did not bowl also in the Church Saturday night league. At this time, I do not have those records in my hand so when I find them I will fill this in.

The first record I can find of bowling again at Georgetown was in March of 1986 which would mean that we probably bowled the season of 1985-86 in the Sonshine league again. We were bowling with Tim and Linda Bell in March.

Then in the spring and summer of that year I also went to Georgetown to bowl in the Suburban Ladies League. I was high series winner with 573 and had an average of 171, but I had started it high, in the 180's and dropped it as I went along. Carol was bowling in this league with Bernie Welling and her mother and that was how I got started there. That league produced my most embarrassing moment. It was after I had several strikes in a row and I got another one and my "emotional" reaction caused my false teeth to fly out of my mouth on to the lane. Well, I picked them up as fast as I could and got them back into my mouth. No one said anything, but I am sure all I was bowling with noticed. Oh well, what the Lord won't do to humble you!!! Anyway that was the end of my string of strikes!!

In 1987 we had new partners because the Bells were bowling with Carol and Tim. Looks like we were bowling with Pat and Dick Rahrer (not sure how that was spelled).

Summer of 1987 we bowled again in the Ladies Suburban. I was bowling with Sharon (Mike Cearbaugh's sister) and her mother. These were 3 ladie teams in this league. The head of the league was Oleta, who worked at the Doves's Nest in Georgetown. one of the seasons that I bowled in this league, I was an officer and

maybe it was president. I don't remember for sure.

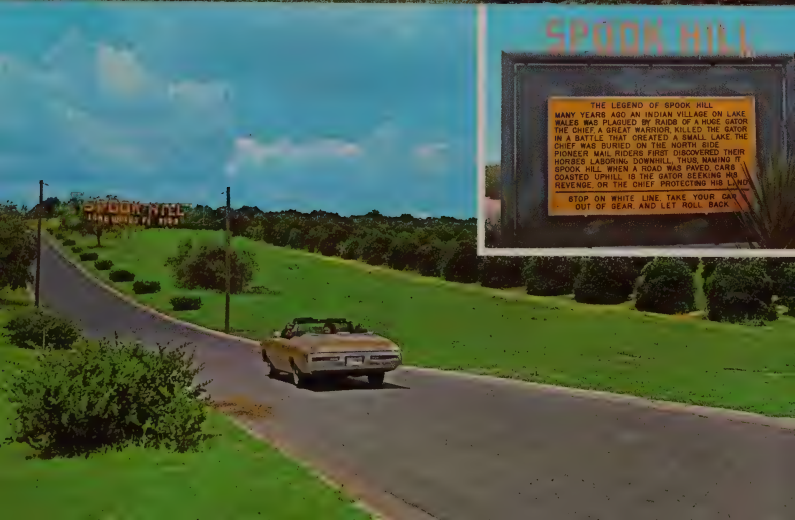
And that reminded me of one of the leagues in which I was an officer. It might have been this one, but I remember that I was paid per girl and the pay was so much that it was like getting something for nothing. I remember that it was like \$100 for just doing this job. It might have been one of the spring leagues at Northcrest. But I almost felt like I was cheating the people as there was not much I had to do for this position. Seems like we had over a 100 girls in the league and I was paid like \$1 for each on of them. And of course this was for only about 7 weeks in the spring!!

In this league we also had Cindy Coward, and Debbie Cearbaugh, and Vickie as well as Carol and Bernie.

For the season of 1987-88 in the Sonshine League we were bowling with John and Amy. We had also bowled with Marty and Maridell Schwartz for a half year one of those years in that league. But we would bowl with John and Amy for the rest of the years until 1995 when he went out on his own for his business and the girls were so involved in sports that they did not feel they could bowl anymore on Saturday nights for now. So in 1995 we are bowling with Roger and Nancy Hoot. They had bowled with Carol and Tim for several years and then stopped for a few years and now Carol and Tim are bowling with Larry and Mary and if Howie doesn't get on the ball and get us a few more bowlers this will be our last year for this league.

One of the fuzzy memories I have is of making candleholders out of some of the bowling pins that the boys would bring home. I am not sure which banquets I made them for. Perhaps it was the Woodknockers league, but I know that I painted several and we used them as decorations and door prizes. Later on as they seemed to accumulate we finally used them in the fireplace and they kept us warm. I don't think that I even saved one of them. Anyway, we had several boxes of bowling pins for a while. They usually put out new pins at least once a year and discarded the old ones.

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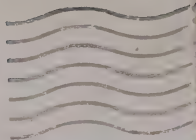
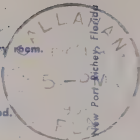
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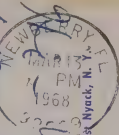
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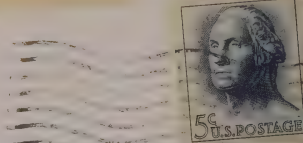
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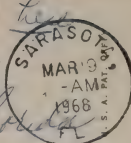
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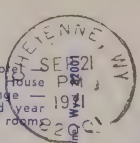
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Sunday, June 24, 1962

Sunny and warm today. Just straightened the house this morning in case someone would come to look at it. Went to my folks this afternoon. Got some boards to work on our front windows. Also looked through their change for old coins for the kids coin books. Looked at their duplex. It is very nice. Just what we need only out in the country. Stopped at LaOtto on the way home to watch a softball game between LaOtto and Avilla. Believe the teams need a little more practice to become real softball teams. Avilla won 22 to 2. Just a quiet evening. The boys played ball, Cathy read a book and I crocheted on some glass jackets. Warren played a little catch over at Bruce's filling station. Watched "Marty" on television.

Monday, June 25, 1962

Sunny and warm again today. High to reach 82. Girls helped to get house in order this morning and ran errands. Paid telephone bill. Defrosted refrigerator. Also cut out a red dress for Carol and started sewing it. Washed all day, will be ready to iron tomorrow. Children and Warren went to watch little league play in Avilla. Worked on front windows tonight getting them ready to putty and paint.

Tuesday, June 26, 1962

Sun is still shining. High of 82 again. Painted and puttied the front windows today. The three oldest kids want to Pretty Lake to go swimming. They went on the bus. I bought 12 towels for curtains in the girls bedroom. Then if we move we can use them for towels if not curtains. Warren had a ball game tonight against Dana. Eckrich won 10 to 3.

Wednesday, June 27, 1962.

Weather is just the same today. Painted the windows in the girls room again. Carol baked some chocolate cupcakes! Cathy worked on her 4-H apron. Ironed all afternoon and in the evening too. Warren scraped ~~and~~ the end of the house so we can paint it tonight.

Thursday, June 28, 1962

High today to reach 88. Still sun shiny. Cathy, Carol and John went to Pretty Lake again today. Ironed, mowed the yard, washed floors and worked on Carol's dress. Cathy had 4-H meeting tonight.

Friday, June 29, 1962

Still hot and sunny. Defrosted the freezer today. Finished Carol's dress. Also cleaned the house a little. Went to Savoy's tonight. Got \$31.00 worth of groceries. Warren bought himself new shoes, ball bats for the boys, and white canvas shoes for Carol.

Sat., June 30, 1962

Had a very little rain shower this morning. Not enough to wet the ground under the trees. The grass is so dry. We could surely use a good rain. The children sorted through \$2.00 worth of pennies this morning for their collection. Didn't find very many they could use. Did get three silver dollars at the bank. 1935, 1885, and 1887. Washed girls hair. Started doing exercises this afternoon. Went to the Hunteertown fair tonight. Rode on a few rides and had cotton candy, ice cones, and pop corn. The kids rode on the rides, I mean. Also had an outdoor basketball game for Warren to watch. Saw a lot of people we knew. Had rain in Hunteertown today; the air cooled off quite a bit.

Sunday, July 1, 1962.

Partly cloudy but still pretty warm. Warren had a game at Garrett this afternoon. Garrett beat Eckrich by 1 run in an overtime game. Came home and ate hot dogs and sodas. Looked at old pictures and worked in photo books. They are falling apart quite badly.

Monday, July 2, 1962

Rained today. All day. Cinda K. was here and of course the kids had to play indoors all day. Puff, our kitten has been gone all day. Catht is very sad about it. We tried to decide tonight where we might take a little trip on Warren's vacation. Just to stay overnight. Probably to a zoo somewhere. Quite chilly all day. High only reached 66.

Tuesday, July 3, 1962

Still cloudy and rainy. *Puff came home today with Hammond.*

Wed. July, 4, 1962

Didn't do anything special today. Just stayed home and loafed. Crochets sewed this afternoon. Started a pair of pink slippers. The children lighted sparklers for their celebration.

Thursday, July 5, 1962.

Partly cloudy and warmer. Peice came for my washer today and Warren fixed it tonight. The Avilla Merchants had a softball game here tonight. Watched it a while. Played s Rome City team.

Friday, July 6, 1962

Very hot today. Ironed and washed clothes all day, trying to catch up. Eckrich played 3 games tonight and got beat 9 to 1. The first innings were fine but then the errors came thick and fast. Took Carol to the doctor today. She got a shot and some pills for her poison ivy or whatever it is. It has spread to her chest. Cost \$6.50.

Sat. July 7, 1962

Another hot day. Bought John and Cathy new shoes today. Also 2 blouses for me and socks for Warren. Carol went on service calls with Warren. Took bathes and washed hair getting ready for the Fitch reunion tomorrow.

Sun. July 8, 1962

Started out very hot today too but it sprinkled a little and the air cooled off a little. Got up at 6:00 am to make potatoe salad and cupcakes. Got ready and left home about 11:00. We picked up Warren's folks and went to Shoaff Park near Ft. Wayne for the Fitch Reunion. It was the 60th gathering of the Nathaniel and Sarah E. Fitch families. Got a little more of the family history. Most of the people were strangers to me and to Warren too I guess. It rained quite hard there but didn't here at home. Had a lot of good food to eat. On the way home we went by a 40 acre farm Cecil Myers owns and may sell. It looks rather nice. The house is old and not too big but would have to see inside to tell how much room it has. It is in Allen Co. All tired out tonight. The family went over to the ball diamond to watch the Avilla team play again.

Monday, July 9, 1962

It has cooled off quite a bit today. Aapt the house all closed up today. Washed and ironed today.

Tuesday, July 10, 1962

Scrubbed floors and waxed them today. Worked on another dress for Carol. This one is aqua. John Clark played with John today. *Went to visit Myers to ask about house. said it will not be for sale unless they can buy this one. they are in Kalamazoo. I told them I would try to buy it. They said they would like to see it. I will try to get it for them. They said they would like to see it. I will try to get it for them.*

Wednesday, July 11, 1962

Quite warm again. Mowed the yard this morning. Helped Cathy with her 4-H projects again. Now she is making a drawstring bag from terry cloth. Didn't turn out quite right but is cute anyway. The material was too heavy.

Warren was to play Mayday today but it rained and he was out about 6:00 P.M.

Thursday, July 12, 1962

Didn't seem to get much accomplished today. Went with Cathy to her 4-4 meeting tonight. She had a practice dress made and wore her apron. I may have her do part of her apron over again. Some of the other girl's aprons looked better so will let her try once more. Don't want her disappointed the first year. Mrs. Mitchell the leader seems nice and has a world of patience with the girls. There are 70 in the club, the Merry Maidens. The rest of the family went to watch the Avilla Merchants again. Seems they are playing all the time these days.

Friday, July 13, 1962

Quite warm again. Partly cloudy all day. The boys were gone most of the afternoon playing ball at the ball park. Carol is looking much better. Her spots are fading away but think her face is a little bit puffy. She wants to go to mom's on Monday and stay all night. Hope she is able to. Washed hair today. Also the girls. Cathy read and rode her bicycle. Chicken and french fries for supper. Baked a lemon cake and brownies. Warren had a ball game tonight at West Sweeney. It rained and drizzled most of the game. They played Hellestran and won 9 to 6. It was a tourney game. The team had their usual run of errors. No hits for Warren.

Sat., July 14, 1962

Rained all morning and then started clearing up. Usual Sat. chores. Cleaned, Banking and store. Also caught up on the bookwork. Carol went on Service calls with Warren and paid light bill, gas bill. John found only 1 penny out of 200 that he could use this morning. Washed girls hair.

Sunday, July 15, 1962

Hot and rainy today. Not hard rain but just enough to be miserable. Warren played at West Sweeney. Just 3 innings before they were rained out. Had to sit in the car. They played Southern League. Jim Kees is pitching for them. Went to the folks and sewed out the eye fair. She also had a bunch of old clothes that the lady she works for gave her. Several skirts, sweaters, and slacks. Some will have to be altered. Carol stayed with the folks tonight. Susan will come tomorrow and they will stay together on Monday night. Surely hope the sun shines. Stopped raining this evening. Warren took the boys to the ball park. The Merchants were to have a game but the other team didn't show up so they practiced. Warren pitched to them. Had hot dogs and sodas for supper.

Monday, July 16

Still cloudy but sun came out occasionally. Didn't rain here. Washed clothes and ironed. Also altered skirts and pressed them. Most of the things needed no changes. Just a little mending. Cathy read all day and boys just ran in and out. Avilla Merchants play again. A team from Albion. Hively was the pitcher. Warren pitched 8 innings for them (Avilla) and the score was tied 1 to 1 so they just quit. It was really just a pitcher's duel. Warren pitched a no hitter but a man scored on a couple of errors. Quite a crowd is coming to watch the games.

Tuesday, July 17

Sunny most of the day. Ironed more this morning. Went to Kendallville with Donna and got my beginner's permit. Passed test with perfect score. Now to learn to drive so I can pass the driving test. Bought boys some socks and a dress pattern for me. Carol came home tonight. She was very tired. Her face is a little worse I think. May have to call the doctor tomorrow. Warren went on service calls tonight. The kids played in the yard with Cinda Lou R. Crocheted a little on slippers tonight.

Wed., July 18

Sunny and warm today. Carol slept late this morning. Cathy baked some cinnamon rolls. They were very good. Took Carol to the doctor this afternoon. He says she is allergic to something. Possibly the kitten or corn pollen. It is not something she eats, only from the outside. He gave her some pills and capsules. The kitten will have to go to grandma's for the time being. Warren played Major League tonight and beat them. It was a practice game. We did not go. It was right after work. When we got home we dashed over to see the last of the Avilla game. They won too. Then home and to bed.

Thursday, July 19, 1962

Warm and sunny. Cathy and John went swimming at Pretty Lake on the bus this afternoon. Larry went to play at the Ross boy's house and Carol just stayed home and made some wintergreen wafers. I baked some cookies and made scalloped and french fries for supper. Wended and mended old clothes all day and then ironed them and put them away. Extremely rushed at suppertime and almost didn't get my exercises done. Can't miss those! Warren worked until 11:00 in shop.

Friday, July 20, 1962

Warm and cloudy. Defrosted refrigerator. Needed it badly. Then I spent the rest of the day helping Cathy with her 4-H apron. She did part of it over. I believe it is much better this time. The McCall's Needlework finally came. So many pretty things to make. Probably won't get anything made! Supposed to be a ball game tonight but was rained out about 3:00. Fuzzily pre-poured for a while. Just spent a quiet evening at home.

Sat. July 21, 1962

The sun was shining this morning. Much cooler and a strong wind has been blowing. Did usual Sat. chores. Ironed and did exercised. I'm afraid Puff is sick. She just lays around and sleeps. I hope she gets over whatever she has. The kids would be heartbroken if anything happened to her. Warren had a game this evening at 7:00. He was supposed to play with Southern Lounge. They played Dana. Joe lively pitched against us. Warren didn't get to play except to pinch-hit. Hit a pop fly. Anyway S. L. got beat 4 to 1. That is the end of the ASA for this year. Surely got over with in a hurry. Cuba Church, almost the whole Lengacher team, play and won the second game. Ivoe was there. Will be leaving for Ohio this next Thursday.

Sunday, July 22, 1962

Ate an early dinner and went down to South Whitley to look at house. We couldn't find it but know the drive is much too far for Warren to drive back and forth to work every day so we may as well forget all about it. Went to Davey's and the boys went to the beach to see Monty's beat Spears. Then we came home and the men went to play ball a while. Had quite a rainstorm about 8:30. Finished a yellow eel-club potpourri that I started to crochet. Worked up pretty fast.

Monday, July 23, 1962

Cool all day. A little cloudy. Cleaned house this morning. Washed and ironed the rest of the day. Still did ironing in the evening. Have the pants to press tomorrow. Warren and his kids tossed a few balls tonight. Just to keep in practice of course. Put kids to bed early. Must get up and be at the school for 4-H judging at 8:30 tomorrow morning.

Watched on television today the first live broadcast from Europe from the satellite Telstar. Quite a feat.

Tuesday, July 24, 1962

Up early and off to the school house. Very surprised when Cathy got an A for her apron. They did not count off for not-to-straight seams. She is to take it to Albion to be judged as a state fair possibility. Quite sure it won't pass but hers was the only apron from this club to be chosen. She was very happy. Came home around noon. Finished ironing and did some mending. Later got through with that job. Cathy went to Pretty Lake to swim. The boys played in the park and Carol played house right here. She is clearing up very well and can perhaps go swimming on Thursday. Her pills are almost gone. The kids also received their free 30¢ coupon for a treat at DeLucenay's for reading 15 books from the library this summer.

Puff is going to be all right. She is almost her own self again. Just have been hurt some way. She has a sore spot on her head.

Wednesday, July 25, 1962

Warmer today. Straightened house and did some washing. Started a smocked pillow. Don't think I like the pattern. It is not McCall's and doesn't look as nice. But will try one out of old corduroy to see how it will turn out. Went to give blood this afternoon at the Methodist church. No ill effects whatsoever. Did some embroidery work for a while and finished a rooster potholder. Called Marcia Bruce to ask about their baby. She is coming along fine. Warren stayed after work and played Int. College. Beat 8 to 1. Coaled off quite a bit tonight.

Thursday, July 26, 1962

Very cool this morning. Windy and partly cloudy. Carol got her little camera from Bazooka bubble gum. She paid 50¢ and 10 wrappers for it. She was all excited. It came in time for our vacation. Ironed, did hand washing. Bought myself a very badly needed dish pan. It is aluminum and cost \$1.75. Had so called game at Rome City. The score was outrageous. Avilla won. Warren played a little. Got a little fresh air and a drive through the country anyway.

Friday, July 27, 1962

A little warmer. The wind was still today. Washed dining room wall today and washed curtains. Starched and ironed them too. Cleaned the rest of the house but didn't get the floors scrubbed like I wanted too. Warren had a game with Spears and they got beat 8 to 1. That is the end of Eckrick in the tournament.

Sat., July 28, 1962

Weather mild and cloudy today. Went to Ft. Wayne with Warren. Bought swim trunks for the boys and things for Carol. Also got sun glasses for kids and pants for John but that was in Avilla. Stopped at Outlers a few minutes on the way home and also Fisher's for groceries. Then home to our usual Sat. fare - hamburgers. Delicious with onions. Tried to get ironing caught up. Must have everything clean to go to Chicago. Cathy and John went with Stoner's to help deliver papers. Cathy is going almost every day with Mary. Burned trash in the yard tonight and had a late supper and sodas.

Sunday, July 29, 1962

Had an early dinner and went to Garrett. Warren umpired a double-header that Garrett played against Peru. I took the girls and went to the bowling alley. Did pretty well for a start. 174, 174, 190, and 146 and got two free games. The sun was very hot at the ball field. We walked to the games from the bowling alley. Umpiring was harder on Warren than pitching would have been. Was hit by several balls. Had root beers and came home. Was a long afternoon. Hot dogs for supper, except for Warren and he had ham sandwiches.

Monday, July 30, 1962

First day of Warren's vacation. Cloudy this morning but sun came out later so we went to Pretty Lake for a picnic. Roasted hot dogs. Water was quite cool but nice if the sun was shining. Got a little sunburn but not too bad. ~~/Apt/4002/11/~~ Also went to Warren's folks for a while. Washed both cars and windows. Guess maybe the Fitches will sell the big farm so we have something else to think about. Brought home some green beans.

Tuesday, July 31, 1962

Up very early this morning. Had to get Cathy ready for the dress revue at Albion gym. Went to Albion with Mrs. Larkins. Think Cathy placed in the A group but will not know until Friday night, that is if we get home from Chicago in time. Meet is at 7:30. Warren worked in our willow trees all day and I tried to help. Got some lime down but others still were winning. Very tired tonight. The Avilla Mercante played a team from Marshall and won. Warren mowed the lawn tonight and when they got in a tight spot in the last inning he came in to pitch and so they finally won. 8 to 5.

Wed., August 1, 1962

Spent most of the day washing and ironing and packing things to go tomorrow. Baked chocolate cup cakes and made lemonade to take. Put the kids to bed as early as possible after bathes and hair washes. Warren took John and went to Rome City to play golf this afternoon. It was his first experience on the golf course. We got to play a few holes.

Thursday, August 2, 1962

Got up at 5:00 am and put things in car and started for Chicago. The weather was nice and cool for traveling. Got to the Brookfield Zoo about 10:00. By 3:00 we had covered most of it. Everyone was getting tired. So we took off to find our motel. That was quite a trip but finally made it. The Holiday Inn was air conditioned, had TV and all. After resting we went to a nearby restaurant and got chicken to carry back. We ate in our room. Had a short rain shower. Then about 7:00 we went to O'Hare Air Port and watched the jets and big airplanes take off. We went up in the observation deck. They are quite impressive. Planes take off every few minutes. Then back to a shopping center. We got Larry a couple tee shirts and Cathy her bicycle basket. Some candy and milk. Everyone had a shower before bedtime.

Friday, August 3, 1962

Sunny and warm again. High was in the 80's. We got up about 7:30 and packed our things to leave the motel. We left about 9:00 and picked up some donuts and fruit juices. Put in insulated bag to take to the ball game. Got to Cominsky park about 10:00. Quite a job to get through the traffic. Had to wait to get tickets and finally got into the park about 11:30. We ate green grapes, donuts and drank milk and orange juice. Got seats in left field. The Yanks beat the White Sox 16 to 2. They hit 3 home runs. The kids got to see Mickey Mantle, Roger Maris and other players but of course at quite a distance. Ball game was over at 4:30 and we got out of Chicago at 5:15. Traffic was quite bad. Stopped about half way home on the toll road at a service stop and had hamburgers, french fries and cokes. That revived us and we started for home. Made it in Wauwaka at 8:00 just as the dress revue was to start. But Cathy's apron was not there so she didn't get to model. She also did not get a ribbon. She didn't seem too disappointed. Too tired to care I guess. Warren came home with the other kids and we stayed and came home with Mrs. Mitchell the 4-H leader. Warren went to the ball diamond and pitched the last inning against Garret. Abilla won 8 to 4. Quite a day. Everyone, anyway Warren and I, were exhausted

Sat. August 4, 1962

Sunny and quite warm today. Got up and put all the things away. Cleaned house a little and washed dirty clothes. Quite worn out.

Sunday, August 5, 1962

Very hot today. Had an early dinner and went to McMillan Park to Warren's class reunion. Not too many there. The Bakers were the only ones I knew very well. Stopped at the folks on the way home. Got a few tomatoes. Dad is not back from his trip to Canada. Also stopped at the shopping center by the folks to look at bicycles for Carol. She came home with one. It is nearly like Cathy's.

Tuesday,

Monday, August 6, 1962

Tuesday, August 7, 1962

Wed., August 8, 1962

We got the yard cleaned up today. Limbs taken away and Warren mowed the grass.

Thursday, August 9, 1962

Took the kids to Grandma Fitches to stay while Warren and I played(?) golf at Rome City. We both had an awful time but it was fun. Played 18 holes or was it 19? Weather was nice and mild today. Spent an hour or so at the Fitches and then home.

Friday, August 10, 1962

Warren and John were up before six to go fishing. Came home about noon but hadn't caught very many. Can hardly believe the vacation is just about over. Haven't worked very hard myself. Did quite a bit of crocheting when there was a free moment. Carol has been feeling a little under the weather but not really sick. She seemed much better this evening. The All-Star game was tonight at the beach. Warren got to pitch 2 innings but they got best. They played Monty's. Sat with Earn and Jake Yoder's wife. Warren was asked to play with Dana in the Markle tournament the 23rd of this month. That is the same night as our first bowling meeting.

Sat. August 11, 1952

Sunday, August 12, 1962

Larry was not feeling very good today. Guess he has a touch of what Carol had. He has a little fever though so I stayed home most of the day. The rest of the family went to the ball diamond to play ball. Finished a white filet doily I had started.

Monday, August 13, 1962

Well vacation is all over. Seemed funny to have to get up early this morning. Did a big basket of ironing and cleaned the bathroom and living room. Washed and waxed the floors. Warren was busy with TV tonight. The weather was very cool and windy and the kids stayed in most of the day. Larry is
Tuesday, August 14, 1962 O. K.

Still very cold. Not so windy but cloudy and cold. My dryer is still out so I am hanging my clothes on the line. Had a little trouble drying them today. Scrubbed the kitchen floor and dining room floor and waxed it. Now Cathy is not feeling good. She slept most of the day but by evening was perking up and she ate a good supper. Warren worked until after 11:00 on TV etc.

Wed., August 15

A little warmer today. At least the sun is shining. Went through the girls clothes for school. Carol gets most of Cathy's things so guess Cathy will have some new ones. They also will need new coats this year. Did some more washing. Baked brownies and had round steak for supper. Avilla Marchants had a game in Avilla tonight. They beat a team from Garrett quite a bit. They are thinking about getting a tournament together for Sept. That would be fun.

Thursday, August 16, 1962

Cloudy again but not so cool.

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